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House Acts to Break Promotion Deadlock

EARLY action in the House is expected on S. 3269 amended to include the original Furlow Air Corps separate list bill, which the House Military Committee reported out this week in an effort to break the present Congressional impasse on promotion.

Realizing that the continued Senate deadlock which led to the passing over of both Senator Black's bill (S. 3089) and the amended Furlow bill (H. R. 12814) of Senator Reed on Dec. 10 makes any chance for passing such legislation unlikely, the House Military Committee met in executive session on Dec. 11 to receive the report of its promotion subcommittee consisting of Mr. Wainwright, James, Wurzbach, Furlow, Garrett (Tex.), Hill (Ala.) and Chapman. The amended bill (S. 3269), which, when it passed the Senate, provided only for the promotion of Maj Gens. Liggett and Bullard to Lieutenant Generals on the retired list, was laid before the Committee including the original Furlow bill, a section creating a Generacy for the Chief of Staff and another section providing for the promotion of General Lord to Major General. The Committee ordered Mr. Furlow to make a favorable report.

Two Courses Open.

The attitude of the Senate is problematical. After the measure passes the House it will be sent to the Senate and the Senate will be asked to agree to the amendments.

Should the Senate not agree and a conference be sought it is likely that Senators Reed, Warren or Greene and Fletcher will be the Senate conferees. The House conferees will probably be selected from the promotion subcommittee mentioned above.

The report of the House Military Committee on S. 3269 contains the text of the new bill, an explanation of the amalgamation of the original Furlow Air Corps separate promotion bill, the bill (H. R. 9661) creating a Generacy for the Chief of Staff and the bill (H. R. 7926) promoting Brig. Gen. Herbert M. Lord, U. S. A., Ret., Director of the Budget, to the grade of Major General, and extracts from hearings and letters endorsing these measures.

The original reports on these three bills, together with the other data contained in the report appeared in the following issues of the *Army and Navy Journal*: Text of original Furlow bill and report, issues of April 7 and 21, 1928; budget endorsement of Chief of Staff's bill, and Secretary of War's letter on Chief of Staff's bill, issue of Jan. 28; extracts from Lindbergh and other testimony on Air Corps separate list in issue of March 4, 1928.

The text of new amalgamated measure, S. 3269, and portions of the report not previously published in the *Army and Navy Journal*, follow:

The Committee on Military Affairs, to which was referred the bill (S. 3269), having considered the same, report thereon with the recommendation that it do pass with the following amendment:

Strike out all after the enacting clause and insert the following in lieu thereof:

That the Secretary of War shall cause to be prepared an Air Corps promotion list on which shall be placed the names of all officers of the Air Corps of the Regular Army below the grade of colonel. The names on this list shall be arranged in the same relative order that they now have on the Army promotion list, and no officer whose name appears on the original Air Corps promotion list shall be considered as

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Service Pay Study is Planned

By HON. JOHN M. MORIN,
Chairman, House Military Committee.
THE last investigation by Congress of the pay and allowances of officers and enlisted men of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey and Public Health Service was made in 1921 and 1922. This investigation was conducted by a Joint Committee consisting of five Senators and five members of the House of Representatives. It was thorough and exhaustive. As a result of that investigation, Congress enacted the Pay Readjustment Act approved June 10, 1922. Since that time, the only amendments made to this act have been in the nature of corrective legislation, and no general study of the pay and allowance problem has been made.

Believing that the time has arrived when a thorough and exhaustive study should be made of this whole question, I have introduced in the House of Representatives the following Joint Resolution:

Joint Resolution 349.

For the appointment of a joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives to investigate the pay and allowances of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey and Public Health Service.

Resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, that a joint committee to be composed of five members of the Senate, to be appointed by the Vice President, and five members of the House of Representatives, to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, shall make an investigation and report recommendations by bill or otherwise to their respective Houses, relative to the readjustment of the pay and allowances of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the several services mentioned in the title of this Joint Resolution.

In my judgment, the precedent established in 1922 of carrying all of these

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Hale Bill Action Opens Service Pay Question

By M. H. McINTYRE.

FAILURE of the House Naval Affairs Committee to report out the Bachelor Pay Bill and its decision to defer further consideration of the Hale measure until later will result in Congress opening up at this time the whole question of service pay, quiescent since the passage of the 1922 Pay Act.

Decision to have a resolution introduced in the House providing for a joint committee to take up the pay question is to prove the means of starting consideration of the whole pay question.

Further indication of this was given in the discussion of the Hale bill which was brought up while the Warrant Officers bill was before the House on Dec. 12. Replying to a question from Congressman French, chairman of the Appropriations Committee, Chairman Britten said:

I think, in part at least, and in a goodly part, the suggestions that have just been made to the House by the gentleman from Idaho [Mr. French] are very well taken, and the Committee on Naval Affairs has followed his ideas within the past 48 hours. We have before us a pay increase bill affecting certain officers in the line of the Navy which would increase their pay approximately \$800,000 a year.

Upon looking into this bill—and it is a very good and a very just bill affecting the unmarried officers—we found also, as the gentleman from Idaho has just suggested, that this bill would affect line officers of

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By HON. FRED BRITTEN,
Chairman, House Naval Committee.
THE necessity for pay revision of the Joint Pay Act of 1922 after a study of the McNamee Pay Board report and kindred data should be considered by Congress this session. As the result of the Naval Committee's decision on the Fletcher-Hale bill (H. R. 13614) deferring action until a report has been presented from the Director of the Budget a thorough investigation of the entire subject may be made.

I note my colleague, Mr. Morin, has introduced, and I heartily favor the passage of, a resolution which will enable ten members of the House and Senate designated by the Vice President and Speaker of the House to study the matter and to make a report of the findings to both Houses. Since the recommendations of the McNamee Pay Board report affect the Joint Pay Act governing the compensation of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey and Public Health Service, the members of the House Military and Naval Committees evidently believe a study of the subject should be made by representatives of all those concerned.

While it may not be possible to secure legislation this session, I think that the sooner hearings are started and the Service pay situation given attention, the better it will be for the morale of the Services. Such hearings would render early action in drafting a measure to remedy the Joint Pay Act where needed, quite probable.

The present pay situation in the Services, as outlined in the McNamee Pay Board report for the Navy and Marine Corps, and in letters to the *Army and Navy Journal* showing deplorable conditions in the Army, show the necessity for an early investigation with a view to relief.

National Guard Assn. Policies Are Outlined

By BRIG. GEN. E. A. WALSH,
The Adjutant General, Minnesota,
President National Guard Association.

WHEN the National Guard Association in convention assembled at Hot Springs, Arkansas, on November 14, and adopted the following resolution:

"Whereas, It has been previously determined as a part of the policy of the War Department to increase the strength of the National Guard to 210,000 officers and men by 1930, and

"Whereas, During the past year the unusual growth in the National Guard has made necessary the rejection of applicants for enlistment and the further restriction of the size of units now authorized so as not to exceed available appropriations, and

"Whereas, This restriction of strength has seriously interfered with the proper training of the National Guard,

"Therefore be it resolved by the National Guard Association in convention assembled that the most outstanding need of the National Guard of the United States at the present time is to secure sufficient appropriation in the 'Army Appropriation Bill' this year to increase the National Guard to a strength of 200,000 and the Executive Council is hereby authorized and directed to take such action as will secure the necessary increase in the appropriations this year for the National Guard as will provide for this increased strength."

... they clearly indicated this should be the major activity and should be given priority over all other matters. The thirty-nine States represented pledged their united support to secure sufficient

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Navy-Marine Bills on Promotion in Senate

PASSAGE of the Marine Corps Personnel bill (H. R. 13685) by the House on Dec. 12, places Navy and Marine Corps promotion legislation before the Senate Naval Affairs Committee for action. The Navy Line Personnel bill (H. R. 14039) was passed by the House Dec. 5 and has been pending before the Senate Naval Committee since then.

The announcement made the latter part of this week that the Senate Naval Affairs Committee had scheduled its initial meeting for this session on Tuesday, Dec. 17 has given rise to the belief that at this meeting, the two personnel measures of major importance to the Navy and Marine Corps commissioned personnel will be acted on and reported out. Other prior measures are also to be before the Committee at this time and action on the two personnel bill will depend on the speed with which these are cleared up.

Discussed in House.

The Marine Corps Personnel bill caused considerable discussion on the floor of the House. Salient extracts from the debate follow:

Mr. O'Connell. Would my friend from Texas deny the officers of the Marine Corps the opportunity of obtaining promotions or looking forward to better conditions in the life they have adopted for the benefit of the Nation?

Mr. Black of Texas. The gentleman from Texas believes in justice both to the taxpayers and officers of the Marine Corps, and because he believes in justice is the reason he is opposing this bill. What does this bill propose to do? It proposes to set aside the law of promotions by seniority and adopt the method of selection by a board, which is a most certain way that favoritism will creep into the service. Men will doubtless be promoted because of their social relations and because of their intimate acquaintance with certain officers. What method of promotion do we have upon our own committees in the House of Representatives? So far as I know, and as far back as I have any knowledge, the House of Representatives promotes by one rule, and that is the rule of seniority. This rule has its imperfections, and it is doubtless true that there are times in the House of Representatives when, under the rule of seniority, men of mediocre ability become chairmen of important committees. That may be true, but would the House of Representatives think of adopting any other method but the rule of seniority? Now, you undertake here to set up in the Marine Corps the so-called method of selection in lieu of the rule of seniority.

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. Is not that due to the fact that that principle is applied both in the Army and the Navy?

Mr. Black of Texas. So far as I know, there is no law in the Army comparable to the one the gentleman has here today.

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. Is it not a fact that in the Army promotion from colonel up is by selection and that promotion in the Navy from Lieutenant commander up is by selection and in the under grades by seniority? Promotion in the Marine Corps in the grades of Lieutenant and captain is by seniority and the balance by selection.

Mr. Black of Texas. What is the purpose of this bill? Is it not to do away with promotion by seniority in the Marine Corps and adopt the board-selection method?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. In the upper grades it is and in the lower grades the same law applies. The purpose is to have the selection board take the records of the officers in the higher grades, consider them, and promote those best fitted for the next higher command and eliminate those who are not best qualified. Now, the weakness of the seniority system is that regardless of a man's ability he is promoted.

Mr. Black of Texas. Let me ask the gentleman, is it not a fact that before a man is commissioned in the Marine Corps he must pass the tests that are prescribed?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. That is true of all the services. Of course, they must pass an examination.

Mr. Black of Texas. Is it not true that (Please turn to Page 306)

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Editors Comment on Coolidge Message to Congress and Defense

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE'S last annual message to Congress has been received favorably, for the most part, by the larger newspapers. Of particular discussion is the President's recommendation that the time clause be removed from the cruiser bill. This is characterized by many editors as creating only a "blue-print" Navy which does not satisfy this country's needs for additional cruisers to form an effective defense in time of necessity.

THE New York Herald-Tribune (Republican) writes: "President Coolidge's last annual message to Congress strikes a note of justifiable optimism. * * * Rational preparedness and parity in cruiser strength with the Washington treaty ratios is a policy which the clamors of pacifism will never persuade the country to abandon. The President renewed to Congress his recommendation that fifteen additional 10,000-ton cruisers be authorized. That is the most urgent duty of the session."

THE New York Times (Democratic) notes: "Foreign policy—especially the immediate question of naval armament—comes early in the message. Here the President's tone is distinctly different from that which he adopted in his Armistice Day speech. There is no reproach or recrimination levelled at any other government. The matter of enlarging our Navy is discussed in the most peaceful and matter-of-fact manner. We need new cruisers, because twenty-two of our old ones are wearing out and must be replaced."

THE Philadelphia Inquirer (Republican) asserts: "The Peace Treaty, naval construction and farm legislation are prominent subjects discussed in the message. * * * Evidently the President discovers no conflict between the peace treaty and the proposed authorization of fifteen cruisers and one airplane carrier, and there is none in fact. He endeavors to make it plain that the building program is for necessary replacements and to meet our needs for defense. 'We have no intention whatever of competing with any other country,' is a declaration that should calm the troubled waters of the English Channel; especially as he repeats again 'for the benefit of the timid and the suspicious that this country is neither militaristic nor imperialistic.'"

THE Baltimore Sun (Democratic) views: "Let it be said in justice to Mr. Coolidge that while he is sadly and perhaps disastrously contradictory in past and present statements regarding the naval situation and contradictory in his reasoning as of today, his complacency has some justification in other fields."

THE Philadelphia Public Ledger (Republican) makes this statement: "Touching briefly upon the satisfactory relations now existing between this country and Mexico, with a deserved tribute to Ambassador Morrow's services, and the success of this Government's policy toward Nicaragua, Mr. Coolidge comes straight to the business in hand with his reference to the Kellogg treaty. He regards it as 'the most solemn declaration against war, the most positive adherence to peace that it is possible for sovereign nations to make.'

Navy Annual Reports Made

ANNUAL reports of Chiefs of Bureaus of the Navy are now being released by the Navy Department as of June 30, 1928. Given below are salient extracts from the reports of the Secretary of Navy, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks, Chief of the Bureau of Naval Operations, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, Hydrographic Office, Superintendent of the Naval Observatory, Chief of the Bureau of Engineering, Judge Advocate General, and the Major General Commandant of the Marine Corps:

Secretary of the Navy.

The number of ships maintained in commission to accomplish the duties required of the Navy is dependent upon the personnel available. During the past few years, the personnel has been gradually reduced from 86,000 to 83,250. An important consideration in determining the vessels that can be maintained in commission is the ever increasing number of officers and men that must be assigned to aviation and vessels in connection therewith. Vessels performing certain duties were provided with full complements by reducing the complements of other vessels.

When the need for additional marines in Nicaragua recently became acute, it was found necessary to detach all the marines in the Battle Fleet (about 950) except on the carriers, on account of the large number of marines already in Nicaragua and China. In addition to the marines removed from the Battle Fleet, it became necessary to further deplete the crews of these ships by the formation of a battalion of about 270 bluejackets for duty in connection with supervising the 1928 election in Nicaragua.

The operating force plan for the fiscal year 1928 was based on an enlisted strength of 83,250 men. A maximum of 297 aircraft of various types were attached to fleet aircraft units during the period of this report; 108 of these accompanied the Battle Fleet on its cruise to the Hawaiian Islands and return and engaged in extensive maneuvers during the Battle Fleet exercises in the Hawaiian area, April 18-June 16, 1928.

Fuel allowances have been revised in order that each vessel may reflect its efficiency in its score with equal opportunity throughout its range of speed. This is in accord with the policy of allowing commanding officers freedom of action without consideration of score-making possibilities in selecting speeds and engine combinations. Such revision of allowances was made in the middle of the year for destroyers in order not to encourage slow-speed steaming in this class.

The rules for engineering performances have been rewritten with a view of simplification and of placing emphasis on reliability of operation. Provision has been made for obtaining more complete information on machinery derangements for the assistance of the material bureaus concerned in improvement of machinery and equipment.

The minimum peace-time requirement of

the Navy, in respect to personnel, is the maintenance of a force sufficient in number and of the highest professional attainments to provide the officers and men necessary for current operating plans of the fleet.

Further, provision must be made for the rapid and great expansion of naval forces in the event of emergency. This expansion must be based upon the trained Naval Reserve and upon nucleus crews withdrawn from the regular Navy for units of the emergency Navy.

The Navy may be operated in peace time with a shortage of personnel, but at a cost of either reducing the number of vessels in commission below that necessary for the varied peace-time activities of the Navy and for the maintenance of a balanced fleet, or of reducing the personnel on board the individual vessels below the point where the efficiency of the ships can be properly maintained. A shortage, requiring the reduction of vessels' allowances of personnel below the point of efficiency exists during this current fiscal year, and will increase in the future unless adequate measures, as discussed hereafter, are taken to forestall it.

The line of the Navy, which for the first time since the war had reached 5,498, within 1 of its total authorized strength of 5,499 in June, 1927, was reduced by normal attrition to 5,314 in early June. The graduation of the class of 1928, with the resultant commissioning of 149 ensigns, brought the total up to 5,463, 36 short of the present allowed strength of 5,499. The class of 1929 will be too small to compensate for this shortage, plus the normal wastage during the forthcoming year, and it will not be until 1930 or possibly not until 1931 that the line will again reach its present allowed maximum. This allowed maximum is too small for further needs.

The ratio of officers to enlisted men was fixed at 4 per cent by the act of August 29, 1916, in contemplation of the Navy then existing and in prospect. In the meantime, conditions have changed radically and the ratio of 4 per cent no longer meets the needs of the service. The rapid development of aviation, and the increased proportion of smaller vessels in the fleet, combine to require a materially greater percentage of officers to men than did our Navy in 1916. Further, new auxiliary weapons have come into being, each requiring the services of a large and constantly increasing number of officers, and similar demands have to be met due to increases in number, size, and complexity of the older-type weapons of the service. The authorized ratio of line officers to enlisted men should therefore be increased from the present 4 per cent to 6 per cent.

Such an additional officer strength can be built up very slowly from the Naval Academy under the present 4-appointment basis, so slowly in fact that it will lag materially behind the actual demand for officers. It is therefore strongly recommended that the full 5-appointment basis at the Naval Academy, as authorized by law but at present limited to four by appropriations, be resumed. Such resumption would not be effective until 1933 in the output of graduates and from that time thereon should supply from 75 to 100 officers per year over the number resulting from the 4-appointment basis.

There remain several measures of primary importance before this Congress, the enactment of which during the forthcoming session is earnestly hoped for. The

THE Washington Daily News (Scripps-Howard) comments: "President Coolidge is finishing his job as he began. His final regular message to Congress is characteristic. It reveals an aloof Executive, whose virtue is a passion for economy at home and sympathy with peace abroad, and whose fault is an insensitivity to acute problems of predatory wealth, violated civil liberties, and pharisaical imperialism."

THE New York World (Democratic) says: "The tone of the President's last message to Congress is as usual one of exalted confidence and undiluted satisfaction. * * * As a matter of fact the outlook at the conclusion of Mr. Coolidge's term is not so untroubled as he seems to think. * * * We are, whether he chooses to admit it or not, on the very edge of a race in naval armaments with the British Empire."

THE Washington Star (Independent) remarks: "The President's recommendations for legislation contain nothing new. * * * He asks for the passage for the naval construction bill, providing new and needed cruisers to balance the Navy and replace old vessels. He recommends prompt ratification of the Kellogg multilateral treaty renouncing war. * * * In some quarters the suggestion is hailed as an effort to give the country 'blue-print' cruisers instead of steel."

THE Chicago Daily Tribune (Republican) takes this viewpoint: "President Coolidge, in asking Congress to pass the cruiser bill, dropped into the recommendation the phrase 'with the elimination of the time clause.' The bill needs only to pass the Senate. The House of Representatives sent it over before adjournment. Its friends in the Senate believe that it would be a serious mistake to take out the time clause. It is not apparent why the President suggested it."

THE New York Evening Post (Independent) has this to say: "Calvin Coolidge, looking abroad upon these United States from the sunny bench of the Elder Statesman, finds a most 'pleasing prospect.' * * * We are glad that he said that 'peace and prosperity are not finalities' and told us that we must work hard for their continuance."

THE Rochester Times-Union (Independent) states: "Outstanding among the specific recommendations for legislative action is the President's qualified approval of the bill for constructing 15 cruisers of 10,000 tons now before the Senate. Mr. Coolidge has always tended to make defense measures somewhat of an exception to his usual economy program, originally giving at least tacit approval of the 'big Navy' program drawn up by the general board and endorsed by Secretary Wilbur. * * * Yet in what he has to say on the question of Naval armaments, President Coolidge has altered the aspect of the Naval problem. He has done it by one simple and inconspicuous suggestion, the suggestion that the provisions of the Naval bill which calls for the construction of the 15 cruisers before 1931 be eliminated."

first of these is the bill for the improvement of the distribution in grade and of the promotion system of line officers, H. R. 14039. Its enactment will assist materially in preventing a serious stagnation in promotion, with consequent forced retirement of an excessive number of officers, which otherwise will occur in the next 10 or 15 years. A second bill of importance pending is that providing for the retirement of staff officers who have been passed over in selection and who, without this legislation, would remain in their grades until the general retirement age of 64, thus blocking the entrance of new blood into the staff corps, which are in the interest of economy held to a minimum effective limit in total number of officers.

Bureau of Naval Operations.

The number of ships maintained in commission to accomplish the duties required of the Navy is dependent upon the personnel available.

To meet properly the conditions that will obtain during the fiscal year 1930 an enlisted strength of approximately 88,500 is needed. This figure does not include allowances for nucleus crews or for numbers required to commission vessels now in course of construction. Funds available for 1929 will provide an enlisted strength of only 84,000 men.

During the year periodic tactical exercises were carried out by the major units of the fleet. In the Battle Fleet these exercises were held regularly every month, all units of this fleet taking part, and various tactical problems covering situations which might arise in war were conducted. The Asiatic Fleet, owing to the unsettled conditions in China, which prevented concentration of its various units for fleet exercises, nevertheless conducted tactical exercises in modified form as opportunity offered. These tactical exercises are considered an essential element of training the fleet for war. They serve to familiarize the personnel with the War and Tactical Instructions and develop initiative in handling tactical situations.

Bureau of Navigation.

Attention is again invited to the growing demands for officers and men for aeronautical duties and to the necessity of obtaining the necessary numbers without further drain on the limited numbers now available for other duties of the line.

The estimated minimum requirements for 1930, including the new cruisers to be commissioned during that year, based on 97 per cent allowances for battleships and on 90 per cent allowances for destroyers, is 92,186. If to this number there be added the men required under the nucleus crew system, 95,285 men should be in service in 1930.

In order to employ the maximum number of men afloat, it may become necessary to withdraw from air stations all enlisted men except those required for operation of attached squadrons and a few for training as mechanics.

The employment of these numbers of officers and men on aeronautical duties has been made possible only by a corresponding reduction in the allowances of ships and stations. In general, this reduction has been effected within individual units of the fleet, rather than by a reduction of the number of units, and this procedure has been carried as far as due regard for the efficiency of the Navy will permit. With new ships approaching completion and commissioning, and with further ex-

High Lights in Annual Reports

THIS following are salient extracts from the annual reports of the Secretary of the Navy, Chief of Naval Operations, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics, Judge Advocate General, and Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks:

Hon. Curtis D. Wilbur, Secretary of the Navy: "The morale of the Navy continues on a high plane. The condition in regard to reenlistment and desertion is satisfactory. * * * The American Naval forces in Nicaragua have executed a very difficult duty with tact and forbearance."

Adm. Charles F. Hughes, Chief of Naval Operations: "An important consideration in determining the vessels that can be maintained in commission is the ever-increasing number of officers and men that must be assigned to aviation and vessels in connection therewith."

Adm. R. H. Leigh, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation: "The minimum peace-time requirements of the Navy, in respect to personnel, is the maintenance of a force sufficient in numbers and of the highest professional attainments to provide the officers and men necessary for current operating plans."

Adm. W. A. Moffett, Chief of the Bureau of Aeronautics: "Aviation has made rapid strides during the past year. The country as a whole is reaping the results of successful flights conducted, and the American people are becoming, or have become, more air minded."

Adm. E. H. Campbell, Judge Advocate General of the Navy: "It is believed that the prisons are fulfilling their main mission of acting as a deterrent to prospective offenders and their secondary mission of rehabilitation."

Adm. L. E. Gregory, Chief of the Bureau of Yards and Docks: "The vast extent and world-wide locations of public works of the Navy make the task of general maintenance and upkeep one of great magnitude and multitudinous details. With the limited funds allowed from year to year * * * little can be done in the way of improvements."

pansion in prospect in the air arm of the Navy, the time has come when provision must be made for an increase in the total personnel of the combatant force.

The authorized enlisted strength of the Navy is 137,485; the number to be maintained during the fiscal year 1929 is 84,000. To provide men for the new ships to be commissioned during 1930, including nucleus crews, and to care for the prospective aeronautical requirements during that year, the forthcoming appropriation bill should carry funds for the maintenance of 95,285 men.

Bureau of Aeronautics. Naval aviation is an integral part of the fleet. Its amalgamation into the naval organization has been thorough, both afloat and ashore. Education and indoctrination have gone along hand in hand, with the idea that our aim is always to have naval aviation the best in the world.

The past two years have served as a test of the actions resulting from the recommendations of the President's Aircraft Board. The bureau believes that in every (Please turn to Page 319)

Results of Journal's Fifth Week of Army Promotion Survey

(Up to December 8, 1928.)

	Arm—Total Cards	Inf.	Cav.	F.A.	Engrs.	A.C.	C.W.S.	C.A.C.	Q.M.C.	S.C.	O.D.	A.G.D.	J.A.G.D.	F.D.	**M.C.	Rtd.	Grand Total
	1,701	426	618	270	327	59	494	858	130	175	22	54	32	7	382	5,055	
(a) Service in grade	For 1,511	375	540	232	305	48	448	322	115	145	17	46	30	6	271	4,411	
Against 169	40	69	30	11	5	39	30	11	27	5	6	1	0	85	523		
*Failed to indicate 21	11	9	8	11	6	7	6	4	3	0	2	1	1	26	116		
(b) No restriction in grades	For 1,891	352	492	215	265	41	418	292	109	133	15	42	29	4	242	4,043	
Against 267	58	101	43	27	9	57	59	14	37	7	8	3	2	108	810		
Failed to indicate 43	16	25	12	25	6	19	7	7	5	0	4	0	1	32	202		
(c)-(1) Retirement of Lt. Cols. after 26 years	For 1,478	342	522	221	268	49	429	326	109	148	20	44	29	4	224	4,213	
Against 180	62	71	35	37	5	50	29	14	21	2	5	3	1	120	635		
Failed to indicate 43	22	25	14	22	5	15	3	7	6	0	5	0	2	38	207		
(2) Retirement on application	For 1,605	382	581	249	288	53	447	312	123	167	21	43	27	4	274	4,611	
Against 70	27	21	18	19	2	38	15	3	8	1	3	5	1	63	294		
Failed to indicate 26	17	13	8	20	4	9	1	4	0	0	3	0	2	49	150		
(3) Removal of restrictions on retired officers	For 1,657	409	593	265	308	55	485	355	123	168	22	43	30	7	361	4,887	
Against 23	7	12	2	13	0	3	2	1	6	0	2	2	0	12	56		
Failed to indicate 21	10	13	3	6	4	6	1	3	1	0	5	0	0	9	82		
(4) Enforced separations	For 208	62	103	72	55	14	62	28	23	42	11	2	32	0	89	801	
Against 1,460	342	497	185	236	44	419	228	97	131	21	49	0	6	243	4,058		
Failed to indicate 33	22	15	13	36	1	13	2	5	2	0	3	0	1	50	196		
(5) Voluntary separations	For 1,627	390	581	231	292	52	474	343	119	164	21	51	1	6	315	4,692	
Against 36	13	15	8	14	2	8	4	5	6	1	0	31	0	16	159		
Failed to indicate 38	23	22	11	21	5	12	6	6	5	0	3	0	1	51	204		
(d) A separate bill to secure passage of these principles	For 1,478	356	511	223	278	44	432	316	110	142	18	46	32	6	294	4,286	
Against 128	36	41	21	11	4	29	16	9	21	2	4	0	0	32	354		
Failed to indicate 95	34	66	26	23	11	33	23	11	12	2	4	0	1	56	415		

*Failed to indicate—Means did not mark card "Yes" or "No" on the question.

**Cards received from Medical Corps officers. No attempt was made to canvass this Corps or the Chaplain Corps as their members are not on the promotion list.

Survey Shows Need of Action

RETURNS tabulated in the Survey box indicate rising sentiment for speedy action for promotion relief. The sentiment of officers of the Army as indicated in the survey has attracted much attention at the Capitol and the realization of the necessity for some action this session led the House Military Committee to take steps toward a conference with the Senate on promotion by reporting out the amended Liggett-Bullard Lieutenant Generacy measure as described in another column.

Want Matter Settled.

The comments on the survey cards show that officers are desirous of having Congress enact a measure which will speed up promotion and allay the present unrest due to existing conditions. Revision of the pay schedule is also asked.

The tabulated returns of more than 5,000 cards show the Field Artillery second to the Infantry in the number of cards returned with the Coast Artillery and Cavalry in a close competition for third place, the Coast Artillery leading by about 68 cards at present.

Ratios Show Increase.

The ratios in favor of all principles except enforced separation increased proportionately this week, no startling reversals being indicated in any branches. If anything, all arms held approximately the same majorities on all questions as last week although the Infantry increased the service-in-grade ratio to 15 to 1 from 13 to 1 on the face of the recent returns.

Typical comments which appeared on the cards follow:

Infantry.

"This cannot be honestly answered on a post card; it is analogous to the question: 'Have you stopped beating your wife?' I am for REVISION first and REVISION only to correct an injustice. Then I am for the other features, which incidentally have been in nearly every bill to date."

"Limit field grades to 40 per cent and Colonels to present number. No change in promotion list."

"Can't answer (d). Leave it to a politician."

"Under (b), while I do not favor rigid regard to number there must be maximum and minimum limits."

"I am in the 'hump' and will retire if I get a chance."

"Reduction by separation of Class B (as at present)."

"Legislation is necessary for those officers following the 'hump' to prevent stagnation. I have been a Second Lieutenant over five years."

"I disapprove of any attempt to change

Furlow Comments on Survey

Commenting on the *Army and Navy Journal's* Promotion Survey and the general legislative situation in regard to promotion, Representative Furlow, author of the Furlow Air Corps List bill, said:

"The survey, such as the *Army and Navy Journal* is conducting, has an informative value. It is but human nature that there be conflicting views with reference to promotion legislation when we consider that this is, to a great extent, a personal proposition with each officer affected."

"I have conducted a survey of my own with reference to a single promotion list for the Air Corps, having just completed a trip of 12,000 miles that took me to practically every field in the United States where Air Corps officers are stationed. I know that the Air Corps wants a separate promotion list and I know that legislation such as has unanimously passed the House establishing such single list is needed without delay if we are to keep our Air Corps in a healthy condition."

"I appreciate the necessity for promotion legislation, not only for the Air Corps but for the other branches and I hope that during this session of Congress we can enact promotion bills that will be of greatest service to the officers concerned and in guaranteeing to the United States retention of the high-class personnel which the Army now has."

making remuneration sufficient to cause voluntary separation."

"A separate bill for promotion of Second Lieutenants after three years' service should be rushed through."

"This is a fine idea. Keep the pot boiling."

"Favor revision of the promotion list. Consider (b) impracticable."

"I am opposed to any change in the promotion list."

"(a) On theoretical and practical examination to be prescribed by the Secretary of War, and discontinuation of Class E officers."

"Pay bill revised along lines of new Navy Bill recommended."

"Am against revision of promotion."

"I am not in favor of any change in promotion list."

"Do not favor any plan to rearrange promotion list."

"I do not favor change of promotion list."

"Favor Furlow Bill as amended."

"Favor Black-McSwain Bill."

"I am not in favor of any change of the promotion list."

"I am in the 'hump'."

"The above or nothing."

"Present Pay Bill based on (a) above."

"The Second Lieutenant must be promoted after three years."

"Believe 'hump' can best be removed by

"Leave promotion list alone. Make promotion list the relative list."

"Believe that the promotion list should be left undisturbed. There can be no readjustment to the majority."

Field Artillery.
"Promotion to be based strictly on length of Federal commissioned service."

"Congress should act immediately on these items."

"Am against any revision of present promotion list."

"No rearrangement of promotion list."

"I favor Black-McSwain Bill for rearrangement of the single list. Rearrangement of Captains and Lieutenants should be made first of all."

"Favor McSwain-Wainwright Bill."

"The *Army and Navy Journal* has made most favorable impression on the former 'provisionals' and others adversely affected by the Black Bill, due to its non-partisan attitude and its determined effort to get the true sentiments of the services as a whole on this most important matter."

Coast Artillery Corps.
"Do not favor revision of promotion list."

"I consider revision of the promotion list unwise."

"No revision of promotion list."

"I am opposed to any revision of the promotion list. Those seeking revision have already received more than in justice was due them."

"No change in promotion list by rearrangement."

"System of promotion should be such as to prevent serious overcrowding of field grades."

"Leave things as they now are."

"I am in favor of Class B separations."

"Sacrifice the interests of a few for those of many."

"I favor no legislation that does not include revision of promotion."

"Separate revision from Promotion Bill—Favor increased pay."

"I do not favor revision of the promotion list."

"Upward revision of pay is even more important."

"Arrange all officers on the promotion list according to the actual number of days of commissioned service in the Regular Army."

Quartermasters Corps.

"Higher grades are cheapened by

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Have You Mailed Your Survey Card?—Let's Have it Now!

THE UNITED STATES ARMY

Army Transport Sailings

S. T. MIHIEL left Cristobal Dec. 14, due to arrive San Juan Dec. 17; leave Dec. 17 and arrive at New York Dec. 21. Scheduled to sail from New York Dec. 28, arrive Panama Jan. 3; leave Jan. 4, arrive Corinto Jan. 6; leave Jan. 6 and arrive at San Francisco Jan. 14.

Chateau Thierry arrived at New York Dec. 14. Scheduled to sail from New York Feb. 21 for San Juan and Panama.

Cambrai arrived at New York Dec. 9 for repairs. Scheduled to sail from New York Jan. 15, arrive Panama Jan. 21; leave Jan. 22, arrive Corinto Jan. 24; leave Jan. 24, and arrive at San Francisco Feb. 1.

Somme left Panama Dec. 8, due to arrive at San Francisco Dec. 18. Scheduled to sail from San Francisco Jan. 25, arrive Corinto Feb. 2; leave Feb. 2, and arrive at Panama Feb. 4.

Grant left Panama Dec. 13, due to arrive at Honolulu Dec. 27; leave Dec. 29, arrive Manila Jan. 12; leave Jan. 19, arrive Honolulu Feb. 2; leave Feb. 3 and arrive at San Francisco Feb. 9.

Upon the recommendation of Brig. Gen. Frank McCoy, who supervised the recent Nicaraguan election, the Secretary of War has authorized the continuance of the present arrangement of having all Pacific transports sailing between San Francisco and Panama call at Corinto, Nicaragua, to meet the demands of the Marine Command which will remain in the country after the departure of the Electoral Commission. This service will continue to include the month of March, 1929.

(Anyone desiring further information concerning sailing dates of Army transports should address the query to the Transport Editor.)

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Army Notes

THE Chief of Field Artillery, Maj. Gen. T. T. Austin, announces that Battery "F," 16th F. A., Fort Bragg, N. C., commanded by Capt. H. E. Tisdale, F. A., is the 1928 winner of the Knox Trophy for Field Artillery.

The Knox Medal for 1928, awarded for excellence as an enlisted student at the Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, has been won by Sgt. R. B. Maynard, Battery "D," 1st F. A., Fort Sill, Okla. The Knox Medal is also donated by the Society of the Sons of the Revolution of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Maj. Gen. C. P. Summerall, U. S. A., has been named marshal of the Inaugural Parade to be held March 4 at Washington, D. C. when President-elect Hoover assumes office.

Lt. Col. U. S. Grant, 3rd, C. E., Director of Public Buildings and Public Parks of the National Capital, has been announced as chairman of the Inaugural Committee.

War on pineapple pests has been declared by the C. W. S. of the Hawaiian Department, according to recent Honolulu advices. Maj. T. Barnes, of Ft. Shafter, will have charge of the C. W. S. activity, which is to be carried on in conjunction with the Hawaiian Pineapple Growers' Association.

Maj. John B. Coulter, Cav. Asst. G-3, 1st Cav. Div., has just returned to Washington, D. C., from Nicaragua, where he has been on special assignment, assisting in the supervision of the recent election. Maj. Coulter is en route to his station at Ft. Bliss, Tex.

Based upon the employment of Troop A, 1st Armored Car Squadron, with the Mechanized Force the past summer, tentative armored car training regulations and tables of equipment are being prepared under the direction of the Chief of Cavalry.

Lt. Col. A. H. Wilson, Cav., formerly star No. 1 on the U. S. Army polo team which won the International Army Tournament from England in 1925, has been ordered from the 1st Cav. Div. at Ft. Bliss to the 6th Div. at Ft. Oglethorpe.

Manila (Special).—The next chaplains' conference at Camp Nichols, P. I., Manila, will be held in January. The dinner to be held in connection with the conference will be a picnic affair, to which the ladies of the post will be invited. It is expected that Maj. Gen. MacArthur, commanding the Department, will address the chaplains.

New York (Special).—The "General Otis," old Army ferryboat which for nearly two decades has been a familiar sight, plying between Governors Island and the Battery, has been replaced by the new ferryboat "General Charles F. Humphrey."

Installation of oil burners in thirty-one sets of officers' quarters, Presidio of San Francisco, has been completed.

Lt. Col. C. M. Seaman and Maj. E. W. Niles, both of the office of the C. of C. A., in Washington, D. C., are confined to Walter Reed Hospital. No replacement has been necessary for either. Maj. H. G. Burgin is temporarily taking over Col. Seaman's duties.

A third West Point cadet, G. A. Lincoln, has been awarded a Rhodes scholarship at Oxford College. Those previously chosen, Lts. C. E. Saltzman and S. Weston, have made extremely creditable records. A civilian representative of the Army has been included in the present Rhodes award—R. E. Burns, of the Construction Division, G. M. Dept.

The regular semi-monthly meeting of the Washington Q. M. C. Training Conference, held Wednesday of this week, was addressed by Maj. H. R. Smalley on the general mobilization plan recently outlined by the War Department.

The next meeting of the conference, due to the intervention of the holidays, was postponed to Jan. 9.

Haven't you forgotten something? Mail that promotion card now. Your co-operation means the success of the survey.

Announce School Policies

POLICIES were approved by the War Department for the selection of officers to attend the Command and General Staff School and the War College for the school year 1929-1930.

Command and G. S. S.

A total of 120 students will be detailed to commence the course of instruction at the Command and General Staff School in September, 1929. Of this number 100 are allotted to the combatant branches, 10 to the non-combatant branches and 10 will be selected by the Secretary of War.

Students will be selected normally from officers of field grade who will be less than 50 years of age on September 1, 1929; from captains who on October 1, 1928, were among the first thousand on the promotion list and who on September 1, 1929, will be less than 50 years of age and from captains below the first thousand on October 1, 1929, who are particularly qualified for higher training and who will be less than 45 years of age on September 1, 1929. The number of officers of the last group will not exceed 10 per cent of the total quota authorized any branch.

All officers must possess those qualifications which will make them suitable for higher command and General Staff training.

The apportionment of students to each of the combatant branches will be as follows: Infantry, 39; Cavalry, 11; Field Artillery, 18; Coast Artillery, 12; Engineers, 7; Air Corps, 10; Signal Corps, 3.

Each non-combatant branch will be allotted students as follows: Adjutant General's Department, 1; Quartermaster Corps, 3; Judge Advocate General's Department, 1; Finance Department, 1; Medical Department, 2; Ordnance Department, 1; Chemical Warfare Service, 1.

Army War College

A total of 75 officers will be detailed for the Army War College course. Of these 55 will come from the combatant branches, 10 from the non-combatant branches and 10 will be selected by the Secretary of War.

Students will be selected from officers who normally will be less than 52 years of age on September 1, 1929; who are not graduates of the Army War College; who have an efficiency rating of at least excellent and who are considered as possessing those qualifications that would justify their training for higher command and General Staff duty.

In exceptional cases only will officers be detailed whose names are not borne on the General Staff Corps Eligible List.

The apportionment of students to each of the combatant branches will be as follows: Infantry, 21; Cavalry, 7; Field Artillery, 9; Coast Artillery, 8; Air Corps, 4; Engineers, 4; Signal Corps, 2.

The non-combatant branches will be allotted students as follows: Adjutant General's Department, 1; Quartermaster Corps, 2; Judge Advocate General's Department, 1; Finance Department, 1; Medical Department, 2; Ordnance Department, 2; Chemical Warfare Service, 1.

Visitors to War Department

RECENT visitors to the War Department included:

Maj. G. E. A. Reinburg, A. C.; Col. C. C. Carter, U. S. M. A.; Lt. Col. C. L. Fenton, U. S. M. A.; 2d Lt. J. W. Hosteller, S. C. Res.; Maj. A. E. Larabee, S. C.; 2d Lt. E. K. Daley, C. E.; Lt. Col. J. E. Munroe, O. D.; Maj. B. C. Daley, R. O. T. C.; Col. G. F. Cameron, Ret. Cav.; Capt. R. S. Williamson, Cav.; Col. W. H. Waldron, Inf.; Col. E. A. Shuttleworth, Inf.; Maj. Gen. W. Smith, U. S. A.; Col. R. S. Peck, Ret.; Lt. Col. G. C. Lewis, Inf.; Col. E. D. Timberlake, Q. M. C.; Lt. Col. F. W. Buschen, Fin. Dept.; Maj. F. M. Maddox, Inf.; Capt. W. Hesketh, C. A.; Capt. A. Jones, Ret. C. A.; Col. G. H. Paddock, Ret.; Col. W. J. Woods, Ret.; Col. R. Smith, Inf.; Lt. G. B. Conrad, F. A.; Maj. J. B. Coulter, Cav.

Army Officers Retired

The War Department this week announced the retirements and coming retirements of Col. Thomas R. Harker, Inf., on his own application to take effect June 10, 1929, after more than 38 years' service; Col. Rush S. Wells, Cav., on his own application, to take effect December 12, after more than 30 years' service; Lt. Col. Julian A. Benjamin, Cav., on his own application to take effect March 11, after more than 32 years' service; Maj. Harry H. Bissell, Inf., on account of disability incident to the service; Maj. Edward L. Dyer, C. A. C., on account of disability incident to the service; and 1st Lt. Clifford H. Boyles, Inf., on account of disability incident to the service.

Major Bissell retires as a lieutenant colonel to date from Nov. 17, 1928, the date upon which he would have been promoted to that grade by reason of seniority if found qualified, and Lieutenant Boyles retires as a captain to date from Nov. 25, 1928, the date upon which he would have been promoted to that grade by reason of seniority if found qualified.

ACCEPTS TOMB DESIGN.

The design submitted by T. H. Jones, sculptor, 144 Bleeker Street, N. Y., and Lorimer Rich, architect, of 18 E. 41st St., for the completion of the tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington was accepted Dec. 10 by Secretary of War Davis.

First Division Notes

BRIG. GEN. H. A. DRUM, the Division Commander, recently was in Washington appearing before a committee of Congress in regard to the hurricane relief work in Porto Rico. The General left again for Washington Dec. 9 on the same mission.

The Commanding General, 1st Brigade, Brig. Gen. O. B. Rosenbaum, made training inspections of the 16th Infantry at Fort Jay, N. Y., and of the 18th Infantry at Fort Hamilton, N. Y., Dec. 6 and 7.

Brig. Gen. C. E. Kilbourne, recently assigned to command the 2d Brigade at Madison Barracks, N. Y., reported to Division Headquarters, Dec. 7, en route to join his command.

Basketball and boxing are in full swing at Fort Nicaragua, N. Y., the Headquarters of the 28th Infantry. A boxing show and smoker will be held the week following the holidays.

Dec. 9, at Miller Field, N. Y., the 1st Tank Company, gave a demonstration of the tactical use of tanks in combat for the benefit of a group of about 60 reserve officers. The demonstration was preceded by a lecture on tank tactics, organization, and supply, by Capt. L. L. Kotzebue.

Acting under the orders of the Commanding General, 2d Corps Area, a board of officers from Headquarters 2d Brigade, Madison Barracks, N. Y., commenced, Nov. 22, 1928, a study of Fort Ontario and the reservation for active duty training of all civilian components of the Army.

Confer at Industrial College

CONFERENCES will be held by the Army Industrial College during the coming week as follows:

Monday, Specific Procurement Plans (Problem No. 13-A); and Friday, Fundamentals of Business (Problem No. 14); Wednesday, Requirements and Statistics (Problem No. 13-A); and Friday, Fundamentals of Business (Problem No. 14).

Maj. Donald Armstrong, O. D., lectured at the College on Monday of this week on the subject of Requirements and Statistics.

No further lectures are planned for this month. A holiday recess will be taken from Dec. 24 to Jan. 2.

Disabled Officers Retired

FOLLOWING are the names of emergency officers who have been placed on the retired list:

1st Lt. B. E. Armstrong, S. C. (Av. Sec.); 1st Lt. B. L. Atwater, S. C. (Av. Sec.); Capt. J. H. Barnett, Jr., Inf.; 2d Lt. F. H. Barnwell, Inf.; Capt. W. E. Blain, Inf.; 2d Lt. J. H. Blann, Cav.; Capt. E. N. Block, Inf.; 1st Lt. B. F. Bond, Med. Rcs.; 1st Lt. J. D. Brown, Inf.; 1st Lt. T. C. Brown, M. D., Med. Res.; Capt. C. E. Chenoweth, Inf.; 1st Lt. A. P. Conover, Inf.; Capt. T. L. Cort, Inf.; 2d Lt. J. Cross, Inf.; Capt. J. Davy, Engr.; 2d Lt. D. W. Fraser, Q. M. C.; 1st Lt. F. Gilbert, Inf.; 1st Lt. W. D. Hill, S. C. (Av. Sec.); 2d Lt. A. F. Holmes, Q. M. C.; H. Hutchinson, Inf.; Capt. C. Johnston, Inf.; 2d Lt. C. M. Lough, Inf.; 1st Lt. E. A. McCluer, T. C.; 2d Lt. M. M. McCune, Inf.; Capt. W. D. Meyering, Inf.; 1st F. T. Moon, Q. M. C.; 2d Lt. E. J. Neary, Inf.; 1st Lt. P. B. Nelson, Engr.; 2d Lt. M. H. Nicholls, Inf.; 1st Lt. R. J. O'Brien, Engr.; 2d Lt. R. A. Osthaus, Inf.; 1st Lt. E. T. Parrish, Inf.; 1st Lt. M. H. Patten, Engr.; 2d Lt. G. W. Phillips, Inf.; Maj. W. J. Potter, Inf.; 1st Lt. H. Power, Inf.; 1st Lt. K. J. Ralph, Engr.; Capt. G. Shepherd, Inf.; 1st Lt. C. E. Stever, Inf.; 1st Lt. W. Tagl, Inf.; 1st Lt. N. B. Thorneburg, Inf.; 2d Lt. W. F. Vollenweider, Inf.; 2d Lt. J. Ward, Inf.; 2d Lt. T. G. Ware, Inf.; 2d Lt. R. H. Weaver, Inf.; 1st Lt. S. W. White, Inf.; 1st Lt. W. F. Wiggins, M. D., Med. Res.

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SERVICE NEWS AND GOSSIP

Coast Guard
Reserve Forces

"PUNISHMENT" OF OFFICERS FOR "FRANKNESS" DISCUSSED.

IN the course of debate this week the increase in cost of two fleet submarines, Representative Blanton brought up the question of "punishments" for officers who desire economy and speaks out on the subject. Interesting extracts from discussion follow, beginning with Mr. Blanton on Admiral Magruder's famous "Post" article:

The minute I read this statement in the press I knew what was going to happen to Admiral Magruder. It is just what happens to any man of the Army or the Navy or in any other department of Government who makes a suggestion for economy when it does not go through the regular channels.

They want everything submitted first to the Secretary to see whether he wants it given to the public; and poor Admiral Magruder instead of being commandant of the Philadelphia Navy Yard, where is he now? He has lost his special standing in the position in which he used to preside, he has no standing now with the Navy.

Mr. Britten: Yes; he is now occupying a desk in the Navy Department, like hundreds of others.

Mr. Blanton: That is because they could not get rid of him. That is just the point that Admiral Magruder made; that if you take the desk away from these idle officers doing unimportant nothings that are unnecessary, you would be saving millions.

Mr. Britten: Admiral Magruder was writing stories for newspapers and magazines for pay and the Navy Department gave him a desk to make his work more agreeable.

Mr. Blanton: He did just what many other Government officials do—write for money. But what he wrote was worth while.

Mr. Schafer: Would it not be better to take the admiral away from his desk and put him in command of a Coast Guard vessel to chase the rum runners?

Mr. Blanton: If he went after the rum runners with the same energy he was trying to stop waste in the Navy, he would stop a lot of this stuff that is coming in here for Christmas. [Laughter.] *

Mr. James: Did I understand the gentleman to state that he thought that the members of the Army would be punished if they called attention to extravagance?

Mr. Blanton: Yes. Let any general in the Army, I do not care how high his position, make a recommendation publicly that does not come through the Secretary of War's office, and he will be punished just as sure as the gentleman is standing on this floor.

Mr. James: I do not believe that any general in the Army or any officer of the Army needs to be afraid of telling the truth about anything he finds because he fears being punished for it. He will not be punished so far as the House Military Affairs Committee is concerned.

Mr. Blanton: If the gentleman will cite me to one instance where any general of the Army or any high officer in the Navy has ever made a recommendation that has not been punished for it, I shall take back every position that I have taken on this bill.

Mr. James: But nobody in the Army needs to be afraid of being punished.

Mr. O'Connell: How about General Mitchell?

Mr. Blanton: General Billy?

Mr. O'Connell: Yes.

Mr. Blanton: He was not punished much. He just had his position taken from him. That was all.

Mr. James: I am not talking about General Mitchell. He was punished and should not have been. I am talking about the last two or three years.

Mr. Blanton: Oh, I could name the gentleman many big officers in both the Army and the Navy who have been punished in the last 20 years.

Mr. James: Name one in the Army.

Mr. Blanton: Gen. Billy Mitchell.

Mr. James: Outside of him.

Mr. Blanton: And then there is Admiral Magruder, of the Navy.

Mr. James: Outside of them.

Mr. Blanton: I will later give the gentleman a list half as long as his arm. I wish it were so that they could make proper recommendations, but neither the Army nor the Navy will permit any one of them to do it except through official channels.

Mr. Black, of New York: Only a short while ago General Summerall pointed out the bad housing conditions in the Army, and he was not punished. Instead of that there was an investigation made and his recommendations were carried out. And Admiral Plunkett, of the Navy, time and time again called attention to the needs of the Navy, and he was not punished.

Mr. Blanton: The recommendation made by General Summerall was in the interest of carrying out the Army spending plans, so as to get possession of all of the money that they received from the sale of Government property, which they wanted to get within their control without any strings on it held by Congress. He was carrying out the policy of the Secretary of War. He was carrying out the policy of the Army War College. He was helping along the General Staff. He was getting money for them to spend, and that is their sole objective in peace times. They want millions to spend. He was not trying to economize for the people.

RETIRED NAVY OFFICERS RELIEVED OF DUTY.

AFTER January 1, but six naval officers on the retired list will remain on active duty involving additional naval pay, whereas about a short time ago the number was considerable.

Lt. Comdr. Richard Wainwright, jr., who has been on duty in Naval Intelligence compiling war records, completes his work the first of the year, and after two months' leave will go back on the retired list.

Rear Adm. Albert Gleaves, commanding the Naval Home at Philadelphia, Rear Adms. Joseph Strauss and David W. Taylor are on the President's Submarine Board, and Rear Adm. Thomas J. Cowie on duty in Supplies and Accounts with no additional pay.

Capt. L. S. Shapley will probably be relieved from his duty as Governor of Guam some time next spring and Capt. Waldo Evans will not remain indefinitely as Governor of the Virgin Islands. Capt. Dudley W. Knox will continue his work in naval intelligence.

REAR ADMIRAL AWARDED BACK SALARY BY COMPTROLLER.

REVERSING a previous decision, Comptroller General J. R. McCarl this week notified Rear Adm. J. R. Y. Blakely that he is entitled to additional pay for previous service as assistant to the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation for the period June 4, 1926, to Jan. 29, 1927, the additional pay being the difference between the pay of a rear admiral of the lower half and rear admiral of the upper half.

ADVANCEMENT OF GENERAL LORD ENDORSED.

IN THE new combined Air Corps list bill, S. 3269, the section providing for the advancement of Brig. Gen. Herbert M. Lord, U. S. A., Director of the Budget was given considerable attention by the House Military Committee, which inserted a number of laudatory letters concerning the General as a part of the report.

Expressing their approval of the measure, the late chairman of the House Appropriations Committee and the ranking minority member join in commanding the Director of the Budget.

The late Mr. Madden said: "There is no man whose services appeal to me more than those rendered by General Lord. He has been my ideal of a public servant in whose behalf the Government can afford to be generous. He has not only earned the title proposed to be conferred, but through his efficient service both in the Army and as Director of the Budget, he has placed the people of the United States under deep obligations to him." Representative Joseph W. Byrns declared, "It is a deserved recognition of the splendid service rendered by General Lord, not only because of valuable service rendered to the Nation while Chief of Finance of the Army during the World War but also in his present position of Director of the Budget. The present Chief of Finance of the Army enjoys the rank of major general, and certainly his predecessor who has rendered such valuable service to the Nation should be given a like honor."

JUNIOR OFFICER CHANGES AT GREAT LAKES MADE.

TWO popular junior officers at Great Lakes Naval Training Station recently received new assignments. They are Lt. B. B. Biggs, U. S. N., aide to Rear Adm. T. T. Craven, U. S. N., Commandant and First Lt. R. D. Leach, U. S. M. C.

Lt. Biggs has been assigned to the U. S. S. New Mexico where he will serve on the staff of Rear Adm. W. C. Cole. He expects to report Dec. 22. First Lt. Leach is being relieved by First Lt. A. C. Small, U. S. M. C., formerly of the Legion Guard at Peking. Lt. Leach will go to Nicaragua for duty with the Guardia Nacional.

WAR-TIME RANK RETIREMENT EXTENSION FAVORED.

BY the terms of a bill introduced this week by Representative H. G. Hoffman, of N. J., the President is authorized to advance any officer who served creditably in the World War to his highest war-time rank, upon retirement, or retroactively if already retired. It further provides that if such an officer retires, or has retired, at a rank equal to or greater than that held during the war, he shall be advanced to the rank to which he would have been entitled upon his next promotion. The bill has been referred to the House Military Committee. Mr. Hoffman, in a statement to the *Army and Navy Journal*, said:

The evident intent of Senate Bill 2258, which passed the Senate March 2, 1928, is to promote upon retirement each officer of the Army who has had creditable World War service. I feel that the bill in its present form fails to accomplish this purpose, as comparatively few of these officers will be benefited by its provisions. At least 80 per cent of the officers remaining in service have, in the due course of promotion, reached their war-time rank, and many more will have reached, or will have passed their wartime rank before their retirement.

Under Senate Bill 2258 some officers, comparatively few in numbers, will be advanced one or more grades, while at least 90 per cent of the officers now on the active list would receive recognition for their World War service, in light of their continued service and subsequent promotions.

Since the bill merely provides for honor and recognition of officers who rendered faithful war-time service, carrying with it no provision for increase of pay and allowances, it would seem to me that it would be more practical and consistent to similarly advance all officers who have attained a grade equal to or higher than that held during the World War to one grade higher than that held at time of retirement.

NAVY PAY EXHIBIT SHOWS INEQUALITIES EXISTING.

ONE of the interesting pieces of documentary evidence submitted to the House Naval Affairs Committee in the brief hearing on the "Bachelor Pay" bill showing actual inequalities in the following tabulation of instances of the pay of various officers serving Oct. 1 in the same commands at sea, arranged in order of pay and not seniority.

Destroyer Squadrons, Scouting Fleet—Capt. L. R. Leahy, Comdg. Squad. 14, \$7,200; Comdr. V. K. Coman, Cdg. Div. 41, \$7,172; Comdr. W. R. Smith, Executive Officer, \$6,997; Lt. Samuel Chiles, \$6,357; Lt. M. A. Thormahlen, U. S. S. Whitney, \$6,357; Rear Adm. Frank H. Clark, Comdg. Dest. Squads, Scouting Fleet, Flagship Concord, \$6,219; Capt. J. P. Lannon, Cdg. Concord, \$6,219; Lt. Comdr. E. M. Williams, Navigator, Concord, \$5,907; Lt. P. A. Caro (S. C.), Paymaster, \$5,757.

Light Cruiser Division 3—Capt. H. W. Osterhaus, Comdg. Richmond, \$7,200; Comdr. H. E. Welte, Executive Officer, Richmond, \$6,997; Rear Adm. G. C. Day, Cdr. Light Cruiser Div. 3, Flagship Richmond, \$6,219; Lt. David McWhorter, Watch Officer, Detroit, \$6,057; Lt. G. H. Turner, Watch Officer, \$5,907; Lt. Comdr. K. R. R. Wallace, Gunner Officer, \$5,757.

Light Cruiser Division 2—Capt. S. H. R. Doyle, Comdg. Trenton, \$7,200; Comdr. H. R. Keller, Executive Officer, \$6,997; Rear Adm. J. R. Y. Blakely, Cdr. Light Cruiser Div. 2, Flagship Trenton, \$6,219; Lt. Comdr. R. M. Hinckley, Navigator, \$5,907; Lt. C. Halverson, Watch Officer, \$5,757.

16TH INFANTRY PERSONNEL TOTAL 208 YEARS' SERVICE.

HIGH record for total combined service among seven members of any regiment is being claimed by the 16th Infantry, in view of a check-up that was recently made. The total service of the seven amounts to over 208 years. Col. Fuqua, the commander, leads the list, with 31 years and six months. Corp. J. J. Cody follows, with 29 years. Then come Corp. S. Rhymers, Pvt. J. Gordon, and Sgt. W. C. Sievers, who had 29 years, seven months, and 21 days; 29 years, three months and eight days, and 28 years, 11 months, and 15 days, respectively, when the reckoning was made.



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Marine Corps Notes

CAPT. MELVIN J. MAAS, U. S. M. C.
R. Representative from Minnesota, was elected president of the National Association of Marine Corps Officers at the annual banquet meeting of the Association at Washington, D. C., Dec. 12. He succeeded Capt. Philip de Ronde, U. S. M. C. R., of New York.

The District of Columbia Chapter of the National Association elected the following officers: Second Lt. W. L. Hart, president; Second Lt. R. I. Whyte, vice president, and Second Lt. Paul Sullivan, secretary-treasurer.

Men transferred between the east coast to the west coast for duty or discharge, or to the Tropics for duty, will be ordered to Marine Barracks, Naval Operating Base, Hampton Roads, Va., and men transferred from the west coast or Tropics to the east coast for duty or discharge will be ordered to the Marine Barracks, Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va., unless otherwise directed by the Major General Commandant. This will appear in C. M. C. M. 3.

Naval Reserve Notes

An inspection of the Naval Reserve activities at Toledo, Columbus, and Cleveland, Ohio, by Rear Adm. T. T. Craven, U. S. N., Commandant of the Ninth Naval District, is scheduled this week-end.

The regular annual meeting of the Naval Reserve Officers' Assn. was held on board of the U. S. S. Commodore at Chicago, Ill., on Dec. 9. One of the subjects discussed was how the naval reserve organization could render most effective cooperation to the regular Navy. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: President, Comdr. G. C. Hall, U. S. N. R., of St. Louis, Mo.; Vice-President, M. R. Wortley, U. S. N. R., of Detroit, Mich.; Secretary-Treasurer, Lt. Comdr. F. C. Huntoon, U. S. N. R., of Lake Bluff, Ill.

The following officers from Staff Headquarters, Ninth Naval District, Great Lakes, Ill., attended the meeting and delivered brief addresses on subjects of professional interest: Rear Adm. T. T. Craven, U. S. N.; Capt. D. W. Bagley, U. S. N.; Lt. Comdr. H. R. Henning, U. S. N.; and Lt. Comdr. O. W. Erickson, U. S. N.

The trophy cup awarded to the officers and men of the 15th Fleet Division of the Fleet Naval Reserve at Hancock, Mich., for being the most efficient division in the Ninth Naval District in point of cruising attendance on district vessels, was presented to the members of that organization by Lt. Comdr. F. W. Weldeh, U. S. N., its Inspector-Instructor, on Dec. 10.

A board of officers consisting of Capt. D. W. Bagley, U. S. N., and Comdrs. A. W. Sears, and R. C. Williams, U. S. N., inspected reserve units at Indianapolis, Ind., Peoria, Ill., and St. Louis, Mo., recently.

Commissions were issued to the following Naval Reserve officers during the past two weeks: W. J. Petersen, Lt. Comdr. I-V(8), 12th Naval District; J. C. Van Horn, Lt. C-V(8), 4th Naval District; L. P. Engel, Lt. MC-V(8), 9th Naval District; and J. H. Service, Lt. D-V(8), 8th Naval District.

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Navy Notes

IN a circular letter issued this week by the Bureau of Navigation it was stated that in view of the more rigid requirements for new divers 1st class as compared with those of divers (old 1st c.), the Bureau has decided that with fairness to all concerned, all divers (old 1st c.) must cease as such after Dec. 31, 1928.

Four enlisted men attached to the U. S. Naval Station, Tutuila, Samoa, have been commended by the Secretary of the Navy for their courageous action in fighting a fire on the British steamer, Port Napier. They are: C. M. M. W. Z. Webster, M. M. 1st cl. Q. T. Heslip, Chief Q. M. R. W. Akers, and Grns. M. 1st cl. H. E. Stevens.

The Secretary of the Navy this week also sent letters of commendation to Sn. 1st cl. R. A. Brown, Machinist's Mate L. Finegold, and Cox's 1st M. S. Gerard for the rescue of shipmates from drowning.

Secretary of the Navy Curtis D. Wilbur, in a letter recently transmitted to the House Naval Committee, urged that early and favorable action be taken on H. R. 14933, the substitute to H. R. 11617, for the conservation and protection of the naval petroleum reserves.

Cruiser Bill Urged

WITH the cruiser bill pending in the Senate and being pressed for a vote, influential organizations are urging its passage at the earliest possible moment. The latest resolution, which is endorsed by members of various patriotic societies, is that passed by the National Society of Colonial Descendants of America of which Mrs. Charles Henri Fischer is Regent. It reads:

Whereas, the surest guarantee of peace, justice and liberty among the nations of the world rests on the unquestioned ability of the nation or nations supporting these principles to enforce international justice and liberty against the enemies of progress, and

Whereas, we believe that no nation in the world is more devoted to the ideals of national liberty and of international justice than the United States of America or has given greater proofs of altruistic standards from the Declaration of Independence in 1776, to the freeing of Cuba in 1898, or the support of democratic government in 1918, and we believe no other nation is more deserving of international confidence or will apply its armed forces more justly or more wisely than the United States if the use of force becomes unavoidable in defense of liberty, and

Whereas, the Washington Treaty requires that the naval strength of the United States be maintained at the ratio of 5-5-3 with Great Britain and Japan, but that through the failure of the United States to construct and maintain cruisers, destroyer leaders, and airplane carriers, the United States naval strength has now fallen far below our treaty obligations and the United States is thereby prevented from using its full influence and strength in the interest of international justice or in the defense of our national liberties, and

Whereas, certain organizations are vigorously opposing the policy of the President of the United States to restore our naval strength to the treaty standards; therefore, be it resolved that the Society of Colonial Descendants of America strongly supports the Naval Increase Bill, H. R. 11526, now pending before the Senate of the United States and urges that this naval increase be passed at the strength recommended by the President of the United States and that appropriations be made to construct these ships as promptly as possible, and

Further be it resolved that the National Regeht of the Colonial Descendants of America transmit this resolution to the Naval Committees of the Senate and House of Representatives and the Secretary of the Navy.

CHANGE SHIP ASSIGNMENTS.

The gunboat "Tulsa," assigned to the Special Service Squadron and the gunboat "Sacramento," attached to the Asiatic Fleet will change assignments.

The Sacramento will leave the Asiatic Station on approximately the following schedule: Leave Manila, Dec. 18; arrive Yokohama, Dec. 29, leave Jan. 7; arrive Honolulu, Jan. 27, leave Feb. 2; arrive San Francisco, Feb. 14.

The Sacramento will report to the Special Service Squadron for duty. After her arrival at San Francisco, she will remain for two weeks for liberty and exchange of personnel.

The Tulsa left Corinto on Dec. 10, and will arrive Dec. 22, leave San Pedro Dec. 27, and arrive Mare Island Dec. 29. It is expected that she will sail for the Asiatic Station about Jan. 21, the Marine Guard of the Tulsa is being left in Nicaragua for transfer to the Sacramento on the arrival of the vessel.

Navy-Marine Bills Pending

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in order to retain that commission he must pass certain other tests?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. That is true; in other words, the men qualified professionally, and one of the benefits of the selection system—

Mr. Black of Texas. And he would not be commissioned if he had not shown his qualifications?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. If you had the seniority rule he would go up regardless of his qualifications professionally whereas under the selection system if he cannot qualify professionally after having been selected he goes out of the service.

Mr. Black of Texas. And under the selection system is it not a fact that many complaints have been made of favoritism?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. I grant you that the personal equation necessarily enters into it.

Mr. Blanton. The gentleman from Georgia has admitted the point in this kind of legislation which makes it expensive, and that is whenever a man who comes up for promotion, if they decide not to promote him, the only alternative is to retire him.

Mr. Black of Texas. Certainly.

Mr. Blanton. And that is an expense to the Government, because another officer takes his place.

Mr. Black of Texas. And not only that, I will say to my colleague, I have no doubt that many men are retired right at the peak of their usefulness and ability.

Mr. Blanton. Men who are physically and mentally efficient in every respect.

Mr. Black of Texas. Surely, and are rendering splendid service to the Government of the United States.

Mr. James. Will the gentleman yield?

Mr. Black of Texas. Yes.

Mr. James. The War Department, from the Secretary of War down, for several years has appointed several boards and has made recommendations to our Committee to get rid of the so-called "hump" in the line of promotions by kicking competent officers out of the Army.

Mr. Black of Texas. Yes; they want to do that.

Mr. James. Even going so far as to be willing to get rid of 2,000 competent officers in order to reduce the "hump." Our Committee has taken the attitude that it will never recommend any legislation coming out of our Committee which would retire a single competent officer.

Mr. Black of Texas. I am glad to hear the gentleman say that, because that is welcome assurance.

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. If the gentleman will permit, let me say to the gentleman that there is nothing in this bill that retires any competent officer unless he reaches the age limit, when, under the law, he has to be retired.

Mr. Black of Texas. If the gentleman will read his own bill he will find he is providing for the forcible retirement of men who under the present law do not have to retire, and for that very reason the effect of this bill will be to increase our already burdened retired list and force out of the service men who are trained, men who are competent, men who are physically able to render the very best service of their career. It is not going to be done with my vote. [Applause].

Mr. McSwain. Mr. Chairman, I have been unable to read this bill until the last minute, because I have not been very well. I submit this is a revolutionary measure. It is a radical measure and in my humble judgment, if it is passed and becomes the law, it will mark the beginning of the end of that fine esprit de corps and quality that has marked the Marine Corps. They are known now as a set of "Devil Dogs," a large majority of whose officers have risen from the ranks.

The 45-year limit that has been set up here will pluck these fellows who have risen from the ranks and will reduce the officer personnel of the Marine Corps to an exclusive social circle. Mark my words. [Applause].

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. I will state to the gentleman from South Carolina that the very reason the 45-year limit is put in here is to take care of the men who came up from the ranks.

Mr. McSwain. Of course, and they will take care of them by putting them out of the Marine Corps too. [Applause].

In a recent letter to the Marine Corps on the bill an analysis of its effects were outlined by Maj. Gen. John A. Lejeune, U. S. M. C., Commandant of the Marine Corps as follows:

Method: The underlying principle of the method proposed in the bill is provision for average service of seven years in each of the higher grades, and the promotion of all second lieutenants after three years' service.

Promotions: The bill provides for promotions of approximately 1 colonel, 8 lieutenants colonels, 47 majors, 79 captains and 60 first lieutenants, due to increases of numbers in the higher grades, and of all second lieutenants who have completed three years' service, at the date of passage of the Act, about 125. Each year thereafter the minimum number promoted would be 1 colonel, 6 lieutenants colonels, 12 majors, 22 captains, 22 first lieutenants plus the number of retirements, deaths, resignations, etc., in the captains' grade, and of all second lieutenants upon completion of three years' service.

Promotion lists: The preparation of promotion lists has been entrusted to boards of officers of the highest rank, longest service and widest field of service experience, whose seniority will preclude personal interest. The personal equation will be eliminated.

Navy Supply Corps

OFICERS of the Supply Corps will change duties and stations as follows:

Lts. H. N. Hill to the Naval Ammunition Depot, St. Julian's Creek, Va., after a period of leave and H. F. Gingrich, under orders to the Asiatic Station, will proceed to the West Coast via the Army Transport St. Michael sailing from New York about Dec. 28.

Lt. Comdr. H. B. Ransdell, now Supply Officer of the U. S. S. Florida, has been commissioned Commander in the Supply Corps to date from April 1, 1927. Commander Ransdell was selected for promotion by the Selection Board which convened in July last.

Ens. W. J. Nowinski, now serving as Disbursing Officer, Destroyer Division 35, Battle Fleet, has been commissioned Lieutenant (j.g.) in the Supply Corps, to date from June 4, 1928.

inated from the deliberations of the board as far as is humanly possible. That this is the best and fairest method is generally admitted, and none better has been proposed.

Retirements: In order to provide for this just, reasonable and necessary promotion, which has as its primary object continued efficiency of the Corps by the maintenance of appropriate ages in the grades, it is unavoidable that certain numbers of officers be transferred involuntarily from the active list. Every such officer so transferred from the active list is to be retired, with pay which is fair and just in compensation for the service rendered. The average annual number of such retirements in the grade of colonel would be three, lieutenant colonel four, and major nine; total 16. These numbers are dependent upon deaths, resignations, voluntary retirements, retirements for physical disability and other similar causes, which have been very conservatively estimated. No officer will be transferred to the retired list in accordance with the bill unless in the upper portion of his grade and off the promotion list for two successive years.

The Committee in its report on the Marine Corps Personnel bill (H. R. 13685) explained its effect as follows:

This bill contemplates a system with respect to the distribution and promotion of the officers of the Marine Corps which closely conforms to the system now in effect in the Navy for the past 12 years with highly satisfactory results. Thus, although many of the provisions of the bill are new as applied to officers of the Marine Corps, the principles involved are not new but have been successful in their practical application over a considerable period of time in a related branch of the service.

The main purpose of this bill is to equalize the opportunities of all officers of the Marine Corps, subject to their individual abilities, in their progress through their service careers.

The results which would be accomplished by the bill are:

(a) Regularity in the periods spent by each officer in each of the higher ranks, as well as a better adjustment of the periods in each of the lower ranks, affording proper opportunity for acquiring the experience necessary for advanced rank without unduly prolonged service in any rank, and thereby increasing the efficiency of the officer personnel.

(b) Readjustment of the percentage distribution of the total number of officers in the Marine Corps, without changing that total number, among the several ranks. This redistribution would decrease slightly the number of captains, and, to a greater extent, the number of lieutenants, while increasing by one or two, depending on the commissioned strength of the corps, the number of general officers and slightly the number of colonels and majors, as well as substantially increasing the number of lieutenant colonels. This is in order to adjust the ranks to the changed characteristics of the present-day Marine Corps, which requires a larger proportion of officers in the higher ranks. This allows for rank commensurate with the necessary duty assignments of officers in accordance with modern military practice, particularly as resulting from the experience obtained in the World War. The present distribution in the various ranks dates from 1916. The bill will make no increase in the total number of officers allowed the Marine Corps under existing law.

(c) Assurance to all officers who pass regularly through the lower grades that they will be afforded opportunity for selection before becoming subject to retirement because of any possible stagnation of promotion.

(d) Protection of the interests of the large group of war-time officers who were, in 1920, amalgamated with the regular Marine Corps.

(e) Transfer of the present permanent staff officers of the Marine Corps to the line of the corps, primarily to afford officers performing staff duties equality of opportunity with those engaged in line activities.

The committee believes that this bill will accomplish material improvement in the promotion system of the Marine Corps leading directly to increased efficiency in the Marine Corps because of the increased assurance of permanency of career and equal treatment accorded to all officers subject, of course, to the normal competition with their contemporaries.

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Destroyer Squadrons

Rear Adm. Thos. J. Senn, Commander, Rigel, San Diego; Omaha, San Diego; McDermut, San Diego, Calif.

Squadron Eleven—Decatur (leader), Bremerton to San Diego; Melville, at San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty—Meyer, San Diego; Doyen, McCawley, Sinclair, Henshaw, San Diego, Calif.; Moody, Bremerton, Wash.

Division Thirty-one—Farragut, Somers, William Jones, J. F. Burns, San Diego, Calif.; Zeilin, Bremerton, Wash.; Percival, San Pedro to Mare Island.

Division Thirty-two—Paul Hamilton, Stoddard, Reno, San Diego, Calif.; Kennedy, San Diego, Calif.; Thompson, San Diego; Farquhar, San Diego, Calif.

Squadron Twelve—Litchfield (leader), San Diego, Calif.; Altair (tender), San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty-four—LaVallette, Sloat, Yarborough, San Diego, Calif.; Kidder, Shirk, San Diego, Calif.; Wood, San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty-five—Chase, Selfridge, Mervine, Mullany, Robert Smith, Marcus, San Diego, Calif.

Division Thirty-six—Macdonough, Corry, Hull, Melvin, San Diego, Calif.; Sumner, Farenholz, Mare Island, Calif.

Division Thirty-eight—John D. Edwards, Whipple, San Diego, Calif.; Smith-Thompson, Tracy, San Diego, Calif.; Borie, San Diego, Calif.; Barker, San Diego, Calif.

Destroyer Squadrons.

Rear Adm. J. M. Reeves, Commander, Saratoga (flagship), San Pedro, Calif.; Lexington, Coronado Roads, Calif.; Langley, Mare Island; Gannet, Mare Island; Arostook, San Diego, Calif.

Submarine Divisions.

Rear Adm. Ridley McLean, Commander, Holland (flagship and tender), San Diego, Calif.; Ortolan (tender), San Diego, Calif.

Division Eleven—S-27, S-24, S-29, S-28, San Diego, Calif.; S-26, S-25, Mare Island, Calif.

Division Nineteen—S-45, S-42, Mare Island; S-43, S-47, S-44, S-46, San Diego, Calif.

Division Twenty—Argonne (tender), V-1, Mare Island; V-2, V-3, Mare Island, Calif.

Submarines based on Pearl Harbor, T. H. Seagull (tender), Widgeon (tender), Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Division Nine—R-1, R-2, R-3, R-4, R-5, R-6, R-7, R-8, R-9, R-10, Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Division Fourteen—R-11, R-12, R-13, R-14, R-15, R-16, R-17, R-18, R-19, R-20, Pearl Harbor, T. H.

BASE FORCE.

Rear Adm. S. E. W. Kittelle, Commander, Procyon, San Pedro, Calif.

Mine Squadron 2—Burns, Ludlow, Whippoorwill, Tanager, Pearl Harbor, T. H.

Train Squadron 1—Antares, Norfolk; Vestal, Norfolk, Va.; Mercy, Philadelphia; Bridge, New York Yard; Brazos, Boston, Mass.

Train Squadron 2—Relief, San Pedro; Medusa, San Pedro; Kanawha, San Pedro; Cuyama, Bremerton, Wash.; Neches, San Diego, Calif.; Arctic, San Francisco to San Pedro, Calif.

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Vice Adm. M. M. Taylor, Commander, Wyoming (flagship).

Battleship Division Two.

Rear Adm. Harris Laning, Commander, Nevada, Norfolk, Va.; Oklahoma, Philadelphia; Wyoming, New York Yard; Arkansas, New York Yard; Florida, Boston Yard; Utah, Montevideo, Uruguay.

Light Cruiser Division Three.

Rear Adm. George C. Day, Commander, Richmond (flagship), Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.; Detroit, Boston, Mass.; Marblehead Navy Yard, Boston, Mass.; Cincinnati, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Destroyer Squadrons.

Rear Adm. Frank H. Clark, Commander, Concord, Philadelphia, Pa.; Converse, Philadelphia, Pa.

Squadron Nine—Dallas (tender), Whitney, Philadelphia, Pa.

Division Twenty-five—Toucey, Norfolk, Va.; Lardner, Case; Breck, Isherwood, Sharkey, Norfolk, Va.

Division Twenty-six—Flusser, Dale, Warden, Reid, Billingsley, Philadelphia, Pa.; Putnam, Boston, Mass.

Division Twenty-seven—Osborne, Lamson, Preston, Bruce, Coghlan, Charles Ausburn, Norfolk, Va.

Squadron Fourteen—Hopkins (leader), Dobbin, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Division Forty—Gilmor, Kane, Lawrence, Hatfield, Humphreys, Brooks, Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Division Forty-one—King, J. K. Paulding, Childs, McFarland, Overton, Sturtevant, Navy Yard, Boston, Mass.

Division Forty-two—Sands, Bainbridge, Williamson, Goff, Barry, Reuben James Navy Yard, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Aircraft Squadron.

Rear Adm. F. B. Upham, Commander, Wright, Teal, Hampton Roads, Va.; Sandpiper, Hampton Roads, Va.

CONTROL FORCE.

Rear Adm. F. B. Uhram, Commander, Camden, Falcon, New London, Conn.; Mallow, Boston, Mass.; S-4, New London, Conn.

Favor Mechanized Force

A recommendation for the organization, effective in the fiscal year 1931, of a Mechanized Force as an integral part of the United States Army, is being considered in the War Department. The recommendation was made by the War Department Mechanized Development Board as the result of a study of the Experimental Mechanized Force assembled at Fort Leonard Wood, Md., during the past summer.

The opinion of the Board is indicated by the following statement in the report:

"We must recognize that we are living in a machine age and in the interest of National Defense, the Army must 'cut its cloth' accordingly. In the commercial world, the machine has largely replaced manpower; so, in the Army we must, to the fullest practicable degree, use machines in place of manpower in order that our manpower can occupy and hold without terrific losses incident to modern firepower. 'Our country, of all the world, is best able to take advantage of this.'

The force recommended by the Board would have, eventually, a Force Headquarters, two battalions of Infantry, one battalion of Field Artillery, one Armored Car Detachment of Cavalry, one Anti-Aircraft Machine Gun Unit, one Chemical Warfare Service Company, one Engineer Company, and one Light Tank Battalion. One Medium Tank Company would be attached initially, making a total of about 2,000 enlisted men. This force was designed to keep equipment requirements at a minimum and yet permit the possibility of the development of tactical methods. The Board recommended that the Force be furnished each of the first three years with approximately one-third modern equipment, so that by the end of three years, the equipment of the entire Force would be of modern design.

The Board suggests the detail of a General Officer to supervise, organize and command the Mechanical Force. This General Officer would have the authority to represent the Mechanized Force's view in all development work, conferring both with interested Chiefs of the Combat Branches and with the manufacturing service.

Fort Leonard Wood, Md., appears to the Board to be a suitable location for such a Force from the standpoints of the extent and nature of the terrain, the climate and the availability of shop facilities of the Ordnance Department, Quartermaster Corps, and Chemical Warfare Service, at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Camp Holabird, and Edgewood Arsenal, all in Maryland.

Prior to formation of a Mechanized Force, the Board recommends a few tests of tank armor and anti-tank weapons. Such tests could be accomplished by a small detachment during the summer of 1929.

Mine Squadron—Oglala, Maury, Quail, Mahan, Lark, Boston, Mass.

Submarine Divisions.

Division Two—Chewink, New London; O-1, O-2, O-4, O-20, New London, Conn.; O-3, O-4, Portsmouth, N. H.

Division Three—S-10, S-11, S-12, New London, Conn.; S-13, Portsmouth, N. H.

Division Four—S-19, S-23, S-21, New London; S-1, S-18, S-22, Portsmouth, N. H.

Division Eight—Bagaduce (tender), O-6, O-7, O-8, O-9, O-10, Perlas Islands.

Division Twenty—Bushnell, S-48, Portsmouth, N. H.; S-6, S-7, S-8, S-9, New London; V-4, Provincetown, Mass.; S-3, New York Yard.

Division Eighteen—S-14, S-15, S-16, S-17, Canal Zone.

U. S. ASIATIC FLEET.

Adm. M. L. Bristol, Commander in Chief, Pittsburgh (flagship), Yokohama to Manila, P. I.

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Asheville, Hong Kong; Guam, Chinkiang; General Alava, Isabel, Luzon, Monocacy, Shanghai; Mindanao, Chengling; Oahu, Chung-King; Palos, Ichang; Panay, Wanhsien; Pecos; Penguin, Manila; Sacramento, Olongapo, P. I.; Tutuila, Shanghai to Ichang; Helena, Hankow.

Light Cruiser Division Two.

Rear Adm. J. R. Y. Blaske, Commander, Trenton (flagship), Memphis, Milwaukee; Manila, P. I.

Destroyer Squadron.

Paul Jones (flagship), Black Hawk (leader), Manila, P. I.

Division Thirty-nine—Parrot, Edsall, Bulmer, Simpson, McLeish, McCormick, Manila, P. I.

Division Forty-three—John D. Ford, Peary, Pillsbury, Stewart, Pope, Truxton, Manila, P. I.

Division Forty-five—Hulbert, Wm. B. Preston, Freble, Sicard, Pruitt; Noa, Manila, P. I.

Aircraft Squadron.

Jason, Heron, Avocet, Manila, P. I.

Submarine Division.

Division Sixteen—Beaver (tender), S-30, S-31, S-32, S-33, S-34, Manila; Pigeon, Manila, P. I.

Division Seventeen—Canopus (tender), S-2, S-36, S-37, S-38, S-39, S-40, S-41, Manila, P. I.

Mine Detachment.

Bittern, Manila, P. I.; Finch, Shanghai to Manila; Hart, Rizal, Olongapo, P. I.

NAVAL FORCES IN EUROPE.

Vice Adm. J. H. Dayton, Commander, Raleigh (flagship), Villefranche, France.

SPECIAL SERVICE SQUADRON.

Rear Adm. D. F. Sellers, Commander. Send mail "Care of Postmaster, New York City."

Rochester (flagship), Balboa, C. Z.; Cleveland, Cristobal to Boston, Mass.; Denver, Bluefields, Nicaragua; Tulsa, Corinto to San Pedro, Calif.; Galveston, Balboa, C. Z.

Miscellaneous.

Chaumont, Manila to Guam; Hannibal, Key West, Fla.; Henderson, Honolulu to Guam; Mayflower, Washington, D. C.; Nitro, Bremerton, Wash.; Nokomis, Key West, Fla.; Patoka, Hampton Roads, Va.

Navy Ship Standing

STANDING of the highest of the following class of vessels in the United States Navy in Engineering for the year to Oct. 1, 1928:

Gunboat Class—(1) Eagle 35, (2) Sacramento, (3) Niagara, (4) Tulsa, (5) Mayflower, (6) Eagle 58, (7) Hannibal, (8) Nokomis, (9) Isabel, (10) Penguin.

MEDICAL RESERVES MEET.

New York (Special).—The second regular conference of the Medical Section, Line and Staff School, Second Corps Area, was held Dec. 6. F. M. Dearborn, Med.-Res., presented the subject: "Convalescent Camps in the A. E. F." with approved plans for such a unit.

Wood New Asst. to Q. M. G.

THE nomination of Col. Winthrop S. Wood, U. S. A., as assistant to the Quartermaster General, with rank of Brigadier General, on the retirement of Brig. Gen. William E. Horton on Feb. 1, 1929, at his own request after 30 years service, was announced yesterday.

ARMY FOUR DEFEATED.

Winston-Salem (Special)—Ft. Bragg's Red team succumbed in polo this Wednesday to the Sand Hill Polo Club's (Winston-Salem, N. C.) No. 1 team. The final score was 11-7. The Army team consisted of Lts. C. A. Billingsley, M. F. Wakefield, H. E. Ellito, and M. F. Stober.

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SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1928.

"*Mediocrity, not ability, has been recognized. Efficiency receives no commensurate reward in the shape of increased compensation.*"—MCNAMEE PAY BOARD REPORT.

IF ANYTHING more were needed to prove that higher pay is an imperative necessity for the Services, it is the "authorization" of the blue uniform for the Army by the Secretary of War. "Authorization," of course, does not mean permission; it means that every officer and enlisted man must supply himself with the various models provided for in the pre-war regulations. It means that junior officers, warrant officers and enlisted men, with their meager salaries, sooner or later, will have to buy additional uniforms; and to do so must deprive themselves of bare necessities, and live more rigorously in the future than in the past.

WE ANTICIPATED that some such move would be made, and for that reason insistently advocated a clothing allowance for officers and appropriations for the enlisted personnel. The Powers that Be apparently thought little of this suggestion, but we reiterate it as a prime essential for the Services. If Congress will increase pay sufficiently to take care of this item as well as the natural increase in the cost of living, we will be content. But something must be done and done speedily if men are to live and raise their families decently. Involved in this situation is the efficiency of the armed forces. Financial worry does not tend to effective concentration.

GENERAL PERSHING, we are informed, does not intend to take advantage of the blue uniform "authorization." The khaki which he donned is good enough for him. The General knows the hardship which numerous uniforms impose upon junior officers. He realizes that if war should come again, the blue would once more be thrown into the discard, and the Army would return to the color it now uses. Moreover, khaki was the uniform in which Americans swept from victory to victory.

SECRETARY WILBUR, like the Secretary of War, is out of joint with the President in the matter of our armed strength. He finds—and so states in his annual report—that more officers and men are required for the efficient operation and management of the Navy. It is obvious that additional aircraft in both Services call for more personnel; and that the cruisers needed to round out the Fleet must be manned outside of the force now available. The President insists that the Services are strong enough, and reenforced by his purpose to prevent a deficit, it is clear that Congress will not grant a personnel increase. If it does, the Presidential veto will be exercised.

WE CONTINUE to be hopeful of promotion legislation for the Services during the coming session. The House, under the leadership of Congressman James, is pressing for action, and is pursuing a course which it is expected, will produce it. The unfortunate situation of inactivity maintains in the Senate. Mr. Reed has extended the olive branch to Mr. Black, but it has not been grasped. Each prefers to prevent consideration of the other's bill.

The House is acting to precipitate a conference. In that case, the committees representing the two Houses will draft a measure which, being privileged, must be adopted or rejected before its session ends. It would be a calamity if promotion, which is half-way on its course of adjustment, should fail and go over to the next Congress.

IT IS INTERESTING to note how zealously Europe is talking disarmament just at the time Congress is considering an increase of our fleet. Lloyd George argues that chaotic international relations are heading the world toward war. Premier Mussolini declares "the truth is that the whole world is arming." We have heard the same talk from France. All want the United States to lead the movement for disarmament by refusing to build more ships and even by scrapping all that it has afloat. They hold the United States should not be hypocritical but should renounce war by depriving itself of the instruments with which to wage it.

THE PRESIDENT and his Secretary of State see no incongruity in the anti-war treaty and the recommendation for an increase of the Navy. Certain Senators do, and they will urge ratification of the treaty while opposing additional cruisers. This likewise will be the attitude of pacifists generally, and they will draw comfort and arguments from foreign propaganda. There are Senators who realize the futility of the anti-war treaty and who see in it even danger to the United States and its policies and interests. They will seek to attach reservations to the instrument. If there are enough of the so-called "Isolationists" the debate will be protracted, and action at this session will be at least deferred.

THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY of War, Mr. Robbins, accompanied by Congressman James, inspected Fort Myer last week, and witnessed a demonstration of a tank which had a speed of forty miles an hour. Mr. James was especially impressed by the new weapon. He rode in it and it moved as easily as a Packard. Mr. James is watching the mechanization of the Army with especial interest, and he is inclined to the view that eventually the motor will supplant the horse. This is not the view of the Cavalry or Cavalry leaders like Lord Allenby, the British Commander, who recently addressed the War College.

HOW WAYWARD is human nature. While Europe is apprehensive of another war, Mr. Kellogg's anti-war pact is pending in the Senate and signed by heaven knows how many nations, and President-elect Hoover is making a good will tour of South America, Paraguay makes war on Bolivia. A Bolivian fort was captured and recaptured, and the Paraguayan charge was sent home from La Paz. It is to be hoped that these two nations will resolve their differences peacefully, but we cannot help reflecting that words which compose treaties are feathers when national antagonisms clash. The moral is to be adequately prepared and the chances of peace are thereby that much brightened.

Service Humor

IN LAPLAND.

Mother—"How is it I find you sitting in this Finnish sailor's lap?"

Daughter—"It must be your insomnia, mother."

Tac Officer—How is Cadet Splint getting along?

Medico—Oh, his case is out of my hands.

Tac Officer—I'm glad to hear he's out of danger.

NASSAU-FUL!

Coach—Any qualifying experience?

Plebe—Well, I was hit by a block and tackle once in Princeton.

A SWEEPING AFFECTION.

"What animal did you like best at the zoo, son?" the colonel asked.

"Oh, the elephant," replied junior. "It was great to see him pick up peanuts with his vacuum-cleaner."

AH, A LIGHTNING CONDUCTOR!

And then, too, there was the ex-gob who, in applying for a job on the interurban, insisted upon being a motorman, because he knew that electricity always goes through a conductor.

A "BACHELOR" OF ARTS.

Col.—So you painted this yourself, eh? What's the title?

Maj.—"Portrait of a Lady."

Col.—And you call yourself an artist?

Maj.—No, I'm a woman-hater.

IT WORKS BOTH WAYS.

Red Cross—Just think, the minister mumbles a few words and then we are married.

Inf.—Yeh, and I mumble a few words in my sleep and then we are divorced.

CHANGING OWE TO WOE.

Buck—I don't know what I can do about that ten I owe you.

Private—Help me worry about it.

LIGHT-HEADED JEST.

Army—She's a decided blonde.

Navy—Yes, I was with her when she decided.

POST-MORTEM!

Centurion (to Christian in Circus Maximus)—Please excuse these few hasty lions.

HOW SCENS-LESS!

Tar—Are you sure this is Christmas morning?

Ditto—if it ain't, I washed my socks for nothin'.

MARINES ELECTED!

Will Rogers in commenting on the President's message says:

I like this part of Mr. Coolidge's message best: "Both parties in Nicaragua were pleased with the outcome of their election and have asked for the Marines again next time. But I did not commit myself." Yes, I think I would let Hoover contract 'em for that one.

The Marines will certainly be tickled to know they can get booking four years ahead. They have always just had to pick up little wars from day to day. Now they can kinda look ahead and plan, and have a permanent address.

If they satisfied both parties after election, I believe the Democrats will sign 'em up right here at home, for the November, 1932, follies.

You All Know

That a bee-hive is like a rotten potato because a bee-hive is a bee-holder, a bee-holder is a spectator, and a "speckled tater" is a rotten potato. But next time you are a spectator of a silly sally which goes over, send it to Service Humor. Address Humor Editor.

WHEN YOU ARE TRANSFERRED

ASK the Journal about living conditions, etc., at the Post to which you have been directed to proceed. Questions will be answered as soon as possible either in this column or by letters. Address Post Editor.

M. R.—Ft. Bliss, 30 minutes from El Paso, Tex., houses a Cavalry Division (less a brigade) and Artillery, Engineers, Quartermaster, Medical and Finance Departments.

Weather conditions are favorable, not attaining the extremes. There is a high and dry climate. Cotton is worn in summer, wool in winter.

Quarters are of brick and concrete, all modernized. Bachelor Field Officers are usually quartered in groups of three in the brick married quarters; others are assigned to two or three room suites in the brick frame quarters. Fifteen temporary frame buildings have been made into livable quarters for warrant officers. There are 141 modern brick and frame sets for non-coms. Many officers and rent houses and apartments in El Paso. These and small hotels and rooming houses are numerous, and made convenient by transportation service.

Street cars run to El Paso at 5-minute intervals, operating on a 5-cent fare. Buses run half-hourly, at a 15-cent fare. A private car, therefore, while a convenience, is not a necessity. Roads adjacent to post are paved.

Fairly good Mexican servants are to be had at this post, cooks, maids, nurses and washwomen averaging \$40 per month. Municipal links are adjacent to reservation, and while these are only fair, the El Paso Country Club has an excellent course and offers service membership to officers. Several polo teams are maintained by the officers, and hold annual tournaments. Good tennis courts are also available to officers and men. There is good trout and bass fishing in the vicinity. All religious denominations are represented in El Paso, and the Post chaplain conducts services regularly. School facilities are satisfactory.

ASK THE JOURNAL

ALL questions on which our readers desire information will be answered as soon as possible after receipt. If there is any query you have in mind, send it to the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL QUESTION EDITOR. It will save you time and trouble. Avail yourselves of this "Service to the Services."

M. J. H.: Troop H, 4th Cavalry, left U. S. July 13, 1899, arrived Philippine Islands Aug. 13, 1899; left Aug. 5, 1901, and arrived in U. S. Aug. 28, 1901. Troop A, 12th Cavalry left U. S. July 1, 1903, arrived Philippine Islands July 26, 1903; left June 15, 1905, and arrived in U. S. July 25, 1905.

IN THE JOURNAL

60 YEARS AGO

THE Secretary of War, in his annual report, stated that there were 48,000 men in the military forces at the end of the fiscal year.

The survivors of the Western Armies gathered for reunion at Chicago, Generals Grant, Sherman, Thomas, Slocum and Howard being among the 2,000 officers present.

A bill was introduced in the House for the brevetting of Army officers for gallant, meritorious, or faithful conduct while serving in the Volunteer Army.

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OFFICIAL ORDERS

WAR DEPARTMENT

GENERAL STAFF CORPS.
MAJ. GEN. C. P. SUMMERRAL, C. OF S.
Following officers from duty as student, Army War College, Washington, D. C., detailed as members of G. S. C. and assigned to duty with W. D. Gen. Staff, all effective on date specified after name, will report to Ch. of Staff, Washington, D. C., for duty: Lt. Col. R. M. Parker, Cav., July 1; Maj. F. C. Harrington, C. E., Sept. 19; Maj. B. T. Merchant, Cav., July (Dec. 10).

Following officers relieved from duty as students Naval War College, Newport, R. I., detailed as members of the G. S. C. and assigned to duty with W. D. Gen. Staff, effective on date specified after his name, will proceed to Washington, D. C. and report to Ch. of Staff for duty: Lt. Col. W. H. Wilson, C. A. C., Aug. 16; Maj. J. P. Marley, F. A., Aug. 15; Maj. C. L. Sampson, Inf., Aug. 15. (Dec. 10.)

QUARTERMASTER CORPS.

MAJ. GEN. B. F. CHEATHAM, THE Q. M. G.
Maj. C. C. Reynolds to Boston Q. M. Depot, Boston, Mass., and assume command of Boston Q. M. Depot effective on relief of Lt. Col. W. C. Jones from that duty. (Dec. 7.)

Capt. H. F. Ewing from Normoyle Q. M. Depot, San Antonio, Tex., effective on arrival of Capt. J. Kasper, to Ft. MacArthur, Calif., for duty as q. m. (Dec. 12.)

1st Lt. C. F. Stafford from Ft. MacArthur, Calif., and add. duty at asst. to the construction q. m., San Francisco, effective on arrival of Capt. H. F. Ewing, to Rockwell Field, Calif., for duty as asst. to the q. m. (Dec. 12.)

MEDICAL DEPARTMENT.

MAJ. GEN. M. W. IRELAND, THE S. G.
Medical Corps.

Col. D. F. Duval from detail as instr. N. Y., Columbus, Ohio, on expiration of leave proceed to Ft. Monroe, Va., for duty. (Dec. 7.)

Order of Nov. 13 is amended to relieve Capt. P. A. Mix from duty at Presidio of San Francisco, Calif. (Dec. 7.)

Medical Administrative Corps.

1st Lt. M. V. Talbot from Letterman Gen. Hosp., Presidio of San Francisco, sail from San Francisco Mar. 9 for Philippines for duty. (Dec. 12.)

CORPS OF ENGINEERS.

MAJ. GEN. EDGAR JADWIN, C. OF E.
Order of Oct. 5 directing 2nd Lt. A. G. Trudeau to proceed to San Francisco and sail Jan. 25 for Canal Zone, is amended to direct him to proceed to San Francisco and sail April 25 for the Hawaiian Department for duty. (Dec. 12.)

CHAPLAINS.

CHAPLAIN E. P. EASTERBROOK, C. OF C.
Chaplain J. R. Koch from Ft. Sill, Okla., to San Francisco and sail Mar. 9 for Philippines for duty. (Dec. 7.)

Chaplain T. J. Lennan to duty at Ft. Leavenworth, Kans., on completing foreign service in Philippines. (Dec. 7.)

Chaplain H. L. Winter from Ft. Des Moines, Iowa, Jan. 7, to duty at Ft. Moultrie, S. C. (Dec. 7.)

Chaplain O. E. Fisher from Ft. Moultrie, S. C., Jan. 7, to duty at Ft. Des Moines, Iowa. (Dec. 7.)

Chaplain A. J. Brasted to duty at Ft. Logan, Colo., on completing foreign service in Philippines. (Dec. 10.)

CAVALRY.

MAJ. GEN. H. B. CROSBY, C. OF CAV.
Col. R. S. Wells on his own application is retired from active service, effective Dec. 12, after more than 30 years' service. (Dec. 7.)

Maj. E. N. Hardy, is assigned to 13th Cav., Ft. Riley, Kans., on completing foreign service in Philippines. (Dec. 7.)

Lt. Col. A. H. Wilson, 2nd Cav. Brig., from Ft. Bliss, Tex., to Ft. Oglethorpe, Ga., for duty with 6th Cav. (Dec. 8.)

Order of Dec. 3 relating to Lt. Col. A. G. Hixson, 14th Cav. is amended to read Lt. Col. A. G. Hixson, 14th Cav. (Dec. 11.)

Lt. Col. C. McH. Eby, 12th Cav., from Ft. Brown, Tex., to Ft. Bliss, Tex. for duty with 1st Cav. Divn. (Dec. 11.)

SIGNAL CORPS.

MAJ. GEN. G. S. GIBBS, C. S. O.
Capt. L. Cansler relieved from duty as instr. Sig School Ft. Monmouth, N. J., Apr. 15, 1929, report to C. O., Ft. Monmouth for duty. (Dec. 8.)

Order of Sept. 18, assigning Capt. J. A. Pierce to duty at Ft. Monmouth, N. J., on completing foreign service is amended to assign him to duty at Ft. Jay, N. Y., on completing foreign service. (Dec. 11.)

CHEMICAL WARFARE SERVICE.

MAJ. GEN. A. A. FRIES, C. OF C. W. S.
Maj. C. L. Marriott from duty as student Miss. Inst. of Tech., Cambridge, Mass., on completing course about Jan. 3, 1929, to Edgewood, Md., for duty at Edgewood Arsenal. (Dec. 11.)

1st Lt. H. A. Kuhn from Edgewood Arsenal, Md., to N. Y. C. and sail April 18 for Panama for duty. (Dec. 12.)

1st Lt. H. R. Lebkicher to duty at Edgewood Arsenal, Md., on completing foreign service in Panama. (Dec. 12.)

FIELD ARTILLERY.

MAJ. GEN. F. T. AUSTIN, C. OF F. A.
1st Lt. M. M. Potter, 18th F. A., from Ft. Sill, Okla., to San Francisco and sail Mar. 9 for Philippines for duty. (Dec. 7.)

Order of Dec. 3 as assigned Lt. Col. W. F. Morrison, 4th F. A. Bn., to the Artillery group, with station at Omaha, Nebr., is amended so as to assign him to duty with 10th Divn., Omaha, Nebr. (Dec. 8.)

Lt. Col. L. L. Lawson from O. R. 7th Corps Area and station at Sioux City, Iowa, to 4th F. A. Bn., Ft. Robinson, Nebr. (Dec. 10.)

Maj. P. V. Kieffer, 7th F. A., from Ft. Ethan Allen, Vt., is detailed as member of G. S. C. and assigned to duty with W. D.

Status of Promotion in Service

ARMY PROMOTION STATUS.

Promotions and vacancies on the Promotion List (Cumulative) since Dec. 7, 1928.

Last promotion to the grade of Colonel—John H. Neff, Inf., No. 39, Page 153, July, Army List & Directory.

Last nomination—George B. Pillsbury, Corps of Eng.

Vacancies—1. Officer entitled—Gustave R. Lukesh, Corps of Eng.

Senior Lt. Col., if vacancy were filled—Francis A. Pope, Corps of Eng.

Last promotion to the grade of Lt. Col.—Frank Moorman, Gen. Staff (Sig. C.), No. 622, Page 155.

Last nomination—John M. True, Q. M. C.

Vacancies—1. Officer entitled—John C. French, Inf.

Senior Major, if vacancy were filled—John W. Downer, F. A.

Last promotion to the grade of Major—Ralph C. Smith, Inf., No. 2358, Page 161.

Last nomination—Paul W. Mapes, Inf.

Vacancies—1. Officer entitled—Robert C. Macom, Inf.

Senior Capt., if vacancy were filled—Oron A. Palmer, Cav.

Last promotion to the grade of Captain—Walter A. Jackson, Inf., No. 5718, Page 173.

Last nomination—Guy M. Kinman, Inf.

Vacancies—4. Officers entitled—William S. Gravely, A. C.; Harlan W. Holden, A. C.; Solomon L. Van Meter, Jr., A. C. (to be retired); John F. Somers, Inf.; LeRoy M. Wightman, Cav.

Senior 1st Lt., if vacancy were filled—Harry R. Lebkicher, C. W. S.

Last promotion to the grade of 1st Lt.—Richard S. Marr, F. A., No. 8517, Page 183.

Last nomination—William F. Dean, Inf.

Vacancies—28. Officers entitled—Beginning with Felix N. Parsons, C. A. C., No. 8521, and ending with Wallace H. Hastings, Corps of Eng., No. 8548.

Senior 2nd Lt., if vacancy were filled—Albert F. Glenn, A. C.

Vacancies in the grade of 2nd Lt.—126.

NATIONAL GUARD

PENNSYLVANIA.

Capt. R. F. Waters, F. A., is relieved from duty with Battery A, 109th F. A., and upon his own application, is transferred to the National Guard Reserve, is assigned to Headquarters, 109th F. A., as Intelligence Officer, and placed on the Supernumerary List. All Federal property in possession of Battery A, 109th F. A., will be inventoried by physical check jointly by Capt. R. F. Waters and 1st Lt. W. Curtis and transferred as required by N. G. R. No. 75-4, and Lt. Curtis will assume command of Battery A, 109th F. A. Financial Report of Annual Allowance will be completed by Capt. R. F. Waters.

Federal recognition is extended by the Military Bureau to officers as follows: 1st Lt. J. L. Eastwick, F. A., Headquarters, First Battalion, 108th F. A., to date from Nov. 2, 1928; 1st Lt. P. J. Ryan, Inf., Howitzer Co., 109th Inf., to date from Nov. 2, 1928; 2d Lt. J. G. Hughes, F. A., Battery E, 176th F. A., to date from Oct. 23, 1928.

General Staff all effective Aug. 15, 1929, will then proceed to Washington, D. C., for duty (Dec. 10.)

Maj. J. L. Devers from duty as instr. F. A. School, Ft. Sill, Okla., Apr. 8, 1929, assigned to 1st F. A., Ft. Sill for duty. (Dec. 10.)

COAST ARTILLERY CORPS.

MAJ. GEN. ANDREW HERO, JR., C. OF C. A.
Capt. F. J. McSherry from duty as instr. C. A. School, Ft. Monroe, Va., to Washington, D. C., for duty in office of Ch. of C. A. (Dec. 10.)

Order assigning Capt. E. H. Taliaferro, Jr., to 10th C. A., Ft. Adams, R. I., is amended so as to assign him to 12th C. A., harbor defenses of Chesapeake Bay, Ft. Monroe, Va., on completing foreign service. (Dec. 11.)

INFANTRY.

MAJ. GEN. R. H. ALLEN, C. OF INF.

Lt. Col. S. C. Leisure, Ft. Benj. Harrison, Ind., to Army and Navy Gen. Hosp., Hot Springs Natl. Park, Arks., for treatment. (Dec. 7.)

Maj. H. H. Bissell is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto, as a Lt. col. to date from Nov. 17, 1928, to date upon which he would have been promoted to that grade by reason of seniority if found qualified. (Dec. 7.)

Capt. J. H. Barbin, 23rd Inf., from Ft. Sam Houston, Tex., is detailed with O. R. 4th Corps Area, and to duty with Hdqrs. 87th Divn., New Orleans, La. (Dec. 7.)

Order of Nov. 7 assigning Capt. J. V. Coughlin to 12th Brig., Ft. Sheridan, Ill., is amended so as to assign him to 2nd Inf., Ft. Sheridan, Ill., on completing foreign service. (Dec. 7.)

Capt. A. Pickens, from 2nd Inf., Ft. Sheridan, Ill., assigned to 12th Brig., same station. (Dec. 7.)

Order of Oct. 4 as amended by order of Nov. 27, directing Capt. H. L. Harries to sail from N. Y. C., Feb. 16 for Manila is amended to direct him to sail from N. Y. C., Jan. 15 for San Francisco for temp. duty, Ninth Corps Area, until sailing of transport scheduled to leave San Francisco about Mar. 9 for Philippines. (Dec. 7.)

Capt. E. G. Welsh, 3rd Inf., from Ft. Snelling, Minn., detailed for duty with O. R. 4th Corps Area, and assigned to 346th Inf., Mobile, Ala. (Dec. 7.)

Capt. T. R. Harker on his own application is retired from active service, June 10, 1929.

NAVY PROMOTION STATUS.

December 11, 1928.

Rear Adm. H. E. Yarnell, Capt. J. W. Wilcox, Jr., Comdr. W. N. Richardson, Jr., Lt. Comdr. F. T. Spellman, Lt. E. E. Burgess, Lt. (j. g.) J. K. Morrison, Jr.

Medical Corps.

Rear Adm. C. H. T. Lowndes, Capt. R. Hayden, Comdr. G. W. Calver, Lt. Comdr. J. E. Andrews, Lt. C. M. Dumbaul.

Dental corps.

Comdr. H. D. Johnson, Lt. Comdr. F. J. Long, Lt. J. M. Thompson, Jr.

Supply Corps.

Rear Adm. T. H. Hicks, Capt. E. G. Morris, Comdr. H. B. Ransdell, Lt. Comdr. L. R. Steeves, Lt. E. T. Stewart, Jr., Lt. (j. g.) T. W. Baker.

Chaplain Corps.

Capt. E. A. Duff, Comdr. T. L. Kirkpatrick, Lt. Comdr. W. L. Thompson, Lt. E. G. Hangen, Lt. (j. g.) (Act. Chap.) John Doyle.

Construction Corps.

Rear Adm. G. H. Rock, Capt. W. P. Druley, Comdr. F. G. Crisp, Lt. Comdr. T. P. Wynkoop, Lt. H. R. Williams.

Civil Engineer Corps.

Rear Adm. F. T. Chambers, Capt. Thurber, Comdr. G. Church, Lt. Comdr. H. S. Bean, Lt. H. P. Needham.

U. S. M. C. PROMOTION STATUS.

December 12, 1928.

Last Commissioned. Will make number in grade indicated on next vacancy.

Col. R. P. Williams. Col. H. N. Manney, Jr.

Maj. A. C. Dearing. Maj. R. J. Mitchell.

Capt. John Halla. Capt. L. N. Medaris.

1st Lt. C. W. Kail. 1st Lt. C. T. Bailey.

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Col. J. H. Hughes, Ch. of Staff.

Leaves—One month, Jan. 4, 1929, to Maj. A. E. Rowland, C. A. C., who is assigned to duty as instructor with the Rhode Island National Guard, Providence, R. I. One month to 1st Lt. R. J. Merrick, Cav., effective on arrival at New York City from Philippine Department about Dec. 17. Three months on arrival at Boston, Mass., from Philippine Department about May 1, 1929, to Wrnt. Offr. F. A. Stacy.

after more than 33 years' service. (Dec. 10.)

Capt. W. R. Hazelrigg, 2nd Inf., from Ft. Brady, Mich., Feb. 5, to Ft. Sheridan, Ill. (Dec. 8.)

1st Lt. C. H. Boyles is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto, as a captain to date from Nov. 25, 1928, the date upon which he would have been promoted to that grade by reason of seniority if found qualified. (Dec. 10.)

1st Lt. R. A. Johnson, 11th Inf., Ft. Benjamin Harrison, Inf., assigned to 10th Brig., same station. (Dec. 10.)

Capt. G. A. Schlicker from duty as instr. Tank Co. to officer, Ft. Leonard Wood, Md., assigned to first tank group, effective Jan. 15, for duty. (Dec. 11.)

Capt. C. E. Knickerbocker, 38th Inf., from Ft. Sill, Okla., detailed for duty with O. R. 9th Corps Area and assigned to third reserve district, second reserve area, Portland, Oreg. (Dec. 11.)

2nd Lt. C. R. Landon is detailed in the Ord. Dept. effective June 30 and is relieved from duty at Ft. Leonard Wood, Md., and will proceed to Watertown, Mass., for duty as student, Ordnance School. (Dec. 11.)

Order of May 28 assigning 1st Lt. C. V. Allan to the 34th Inf., Ft. Eustis, Va., is amended to assign him to 12th Inf., Ft. Washington, Md., on completing foreign service. (Dec. 11.)

1st Lt. J. E. McCarthy, 28th Inf., from Madison Brks., N. Y., assigned to 18th Inf., and on arrival in N. Y. C. from foreign service in the Philippines and on expiration of leave, to Ft. Hamilton, N. Y. for duty. (Dec. 11.)

Maj. F. V. Schneider, from duty at Cornell Univ., Ithaca, N. Y., on return from Walter Reed Hospital, D. C. is assigned to 34th Inf., and will proceed to Ft. Eustis, Va., for duty. (Dec. 12.)

Order of Dec. 7 concerning Capt. J. H. Barbin, 23rd Inf., is revoked. (Dec. 12.)

1st Lt. J. Fish, 3rd, is assigned to 3rd Inf., Ft. Snelling, Minn., on completing foreign service in Hawaii. (Dec. 12.)

2nd Lt. C. C. Sloane, Jr., 26th Inf., from Plattsburg Brks., N. Y., to N. Y. C. and sail April 2 for Hawaii for duty. (Dec. 12.)

AIR CORPS.

MAJ. GEN. J. E. FECHET, C. OF A. C.

1st Lt. R. H. Magee from Chanute Field, Rantoul, Ill., to Mitchel Field, L. J., N. Y., for duty. (Dec. 8.)

1st Lt. N. R. Laughinghouse from Mitchel Field, L. J., N. Y. and on expiration of leave to Chanute Field, Rantoul, Ill., reporting not later than Mar. 10 for duty. (Dec. 8.)

1st Lt. H. K. Greenlaw from 11th School Group, Air Corps Training Center, Brooks Field, Tex., is detailed to the Univ. of Calif. and will proceed to Berkeley, Calif., for duty. (Dec. 8.)

1st Lt. E. V. Harbeck from duties in Panama Canal Dept., effective on departure from Panama, is assigned to duty at the San Antonio Air Depot, Duncan Field, Tex. (Dec. 8.)

Warrant Bill to Conference

THE Warrant Officers Pay bill (H. R. 12032) under discussion for several years and introduced last session, was passed without a record vote by the House on Dec. 12 after considerable debate on the floor. A similar measure S. 3692 passed the Senate last session.

This bill adjusts pay increases throughout the career of warrant officers and commissioned warrant officers as follows:

(1) Warrant officers on shore duty to receive same pay as those on sea duty.

(2) Warrant officers on promotion to commissioned warrant to receive pay and allowances of 2nd pay grade, but not to exceed \$3,158, \$3,258 and \$3,358, respectively, for the first, second and third three-year periods thereafter.

(3) Advance to third pay grade to be made after 10 years commissioned service, provided their record is creditable.

(4) Advance to fourth pay period, but not to exceed total of \$5,000 pay and allowances after 20 years' commissioned service.

(5) The usual saving clause preventing the loss by any officer of the pay and allowances received at the date of the act.

The bill now goes to conference for action on the Senate amendment, which provides for increasing the rank, pay and allowances of the Director of the Coast and Geodetic Survey to equal those of rear admirals of the lower half of the Navy.

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Army Orders

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Calif., to San Francisco and sail Mar. 2 for Canal Zone for duty. (Dec. 8.)
Lt. Col. C. C. Culver from duty as comdr. Air Corps Tactical School, Langley Field, Va., is detailed as a member of the Gen. Staff Corps and assigned to duty with W. D. Gen. Staff, all effective July 1, 1929, will then proceed to Washington, D. C., for duty. (Dec. 10.) LEAVES.

Fifteen days to Capt. B. Smith, C. E., on arrival in N. Y. (Dec. 7.)

Leave to Capt. S. G. Saulnier, Inf., is extended one month. (Dec. 8.)

Leave to Capt. C. A. Shannon, Cav., is extended one month. (Dec. 8.)

Nine days to Lt. Col. C. B. Ross, C. A. C., Dec. 24. (Dec. 8.)

Eight days to Maj. J. A. Green, G. S. C., Dec. 22. (Dec. 8.)

Three months to Chaplain H. C. Head, Mar. 1, with permission to return to U. S. via Suez (Dec. 8.)

Fourteen days to Capt. C. L. Bolte, Inf., Dec. 20. (Dec. 8.)

Four months to 1st Lt. C. H. Barret, A. C. (Dec. 8.)

Eleven days to Maj. J. P. Dimmose, J. A. G. D., Dec. 22. (Dec. 10.)

Twenty days to Maj. J. B. Anderson, G. S. C., Dec. 17. (Dec. 11.)

Leave to Maj. J. M. Jenkins, Jr., F. A., is extended two months. (Dec. 11.)

One month to 1st Lt. F. J. Strickland, Inf. (Dec. 11.)

Three months, Dec. 11, to Wrnt. Offr. E. R. Lewis, A. W. C., Washington, D. C. (Dec. 11.)

Fourteen days to Col. S. H. Ford, G. S. C., Dec. 19. (Dec. 12.)

Five days to Lt. Col. W. K. Wilson, G. S. C., Dec. 21. (Dec. 12.)

WARRANT OFFICERS.

Wrnt. Offr. J. A. Hillard, now a patient at Fitzsimons Gen. Hospital, Denver, Colo., from present assignment at A. W. C.

Washington, D. C., to duty at Fitzsimons Gen. Hosp. (Dec. 10.)

Wrnt. Offr. O. H. Speegle is retired from active service on account of disability incident thereto. (Dec. 10.)

ORDERS TO N. C. O.

Mstr. Sgt. W. Kenney, U. S. A., Ret., now on active duty at Okla. Mil. Academy, Claremore, Okla., is relieved from active duty, and will be sent to his home. (Dec. 7.)

Order of Dec. 6 transferring 1st Sgt. S. Flaherty, Btry. F, 7th F. A., to the detachment of enlisted men, office of the Ch. of F. A., Washington, D. C. in the grade of private, is amended to direct that he remain on detached service at the A. W. C. Washington, D. C. (Dec. 8.)

1st Sgt. R. C. Schaeffer, 29th Motor Transport Co., Washington, D. C., is transferred to D. E. M. L., orderlies for gen. offrs., Washington, D. C., in the grade of tech. sgt. (Dec. 8.)

Order of Oct. 2 directing the relief of Staff Sgt. J. L. Gormley from Ft. Hamilton, N. Y., in time to sail Jan. 15 from N. Y. is amended to direct him to be detailed on temp. duty at Frankford Arsenal, Pa., reporting Feb. 3 to the C. O. to pursue course of instruction in antiaircraft fire-control equipment, returning on completion of the course to his proper station, thence to proceed to Ft. Winfield Scott, Calif., sailing from N. Y. Mar. 8. (Dec. 10.)

RETIREMENT OF ENLISTED MEN.

Mstr. Sgt. H. N. Oliver, O. D., at Ft. H. G. Wright, N. Y. (Dec. 8.)

Mstr. Sgt. W. K. Barnett, Ser. Co., 8th Inf., at Ft. Sweeny, Ga. (Dec. 8.)

Mstr. Sgt. J. Donovan, Hdqrs. btry., 59th C. A., at Ft. Mills, P. I. (Dec. 8.)

Mstr. Sgt. H. M. Taylor, ser. co., 2nd Inf., at Ft. Sheridan, Ill. (Dec. 8.)

Staff Sgt. C. C. Klinger, D. E. M. L. (the Army War College detachment) at A. W. C. Washington, D. C. (Dec. 10.)

Staff Sgt. J. R. McMillen, Hdqrs. and Ser. Co., 2nd Engrs., at Ft. Logan, Colo. (Dec. 10.)

Tech. Sgt. J. L. Arnold, O. D., at Key West Barracks, Fla. (Dec. 11.)

1st Sgt. C. Shreiner, Co. H, 22nd Inf., at Ft. McPherson, Ga. (Dec. 11.)

Mstr. Sgt. M. A. Schoff, Hdqrs. Troop, 3rd Cav., at Ft. Myer, Va. (Dec. 12.)

1st Sgt. C. A. Bordman, Btry. G, 11th C. A., at Ft. H. G. Wright, N. Y. (Dec. 12.)

Staff Sgt. J. McCann, M. D., at Ft. McIntosh, Tex. (Dec. 12.)

Mstr. Sgt. T. M. Marley, Ser. Co., 7th Inf., at Vancouver Brks., Wash. (Dec. 12.)

ORGANIZED RESERVES.

2nd Lt. E. W. Harrison, Ord-Res., to active duty Dec. 9 at Cincinnati Dist. Ord. office, Cincinnati, Ohio, for training. (December 7.)

Lt. Col. S. L. Smith, MI-Res., to active duty Jan. 13 in office of Ass. Ch. of Staff, G-2, Room 2560, Munitions Bldg., Washington, D. C., for training. (Dec. 8.)

Maj. R. W. Jones, Q. M. Res., to active duty Jan. 14 at Chicago q. m. depot, Chicago, Ill., for training. (Dec. 10.)

Capt. J. K. Segrave, Q. M. Res., to active duty Dec. 17 at Chicago q. m. depot, Chicago, Ill., for training. (Dec. 10.)

Order of Nov. 15 relating to 1st Lt. L. A. Longenecker, A. C. Res., is revoked. (December 10.)

Order of Nov. 21 relating to Maj. C. S. Ucker, Spec.-Res., is revoked. (Dec. 11.)

Maj. D. D. Jackson, Jr., C. A. C. Res., to active duty Mar. 10 at Ft. Monroe, Va., for training at the C. A. School. (Dec. 11.)

LATE WAR DEPARTMENT ORDERS.

The following War Department orders were received too late for classification:

S. O. 292, W. D., DEC. 13, 1928.

Quartermaster Corps.

Capt. I. S. Dierking from Co. B, 4th Motor Repair Bn., Jeffersonville q. m. depot, Jeffersonville, Ind., report to C. O. Jeffersonville, q. m. depot for duty as his assistant.

Capt. J. E. Smith from duties at Jeffersonville q. m. depot, Jeffersonville, Ind., assigned to Co. B, 4th Motor Repair Bn., same station for duty.

Corns of Engineers.

Capt. E. H. Levy now on duty in office of dist. engr. Portland, Oreg., in addition to other duties is detailed for duty with O. R. 9th Corps Area and assigned to 3rd Res. Dist. 2nd Res. Area.

Cavalry.

2nd Lt. G. W. West is detailed in the Air Corps effective Mar. 1, and relieved from 4th Cav., Fort Meade, S. Dak., and will proceed to Brooks Field, Tex., reporting Mar. 1 to command Air Corps Primary Flying School for duty and training.

Infantry.

Capt. J. D. Chambliss, 1st Inf., from Fort D. A. Russell, Wyo., is detailed for duty with O. R. 9th Corps Area and assigned to 1st Res. Dist., 1st Res. Area with station at Los Angeles, Calif.

Capt. A. M. Mixson from duties with O. R. affairs at Hdqrs. 2nd Corps Area, Governors Island, N. Y., assigned to 13th Inf., Fort Strong, Mass.

Leaves.

Ten days to Maj. Gen. W. C. Rivers, the I. G., Dec. 20.

Six days to Lt. Col. J. P. Terrell, G. S. C., Dec. 27.

Leave to Maj. C. K. Eastman, S. C., is extended one month. 15 days.

Leave to Capt. S. W. McIlwain, Q. M. C., is extended two days.

Retirement of Enlisted Men.

Mstr. Sgt. N. G. Scott, Hdqrs. Troop, 13th Cav., at Ft. Riley, Kans.

Board of Officers.

Examining boards to consist of the following officers are appointed to meet at the places indicated, at the call of the presiding officers thereof, for the purpose of examining such officers of the Dental Corps as may be directed to report to the boards for examination to determine their fitness for promotion:

Vancouver Barracks, W.-B.: Maj. C. I. Taylor, D. C.; Maj. E. J. McClung, D. C.; Capt. J. D. R. Woodworth, M. C.

San Francisco, Calif.: Col. S. D. Boak,

D. C.; Maj. S. U. Marietta, M. C.; Maj. J. W. Scovel, D. C.

Fort Bliss, Tex.: Col. W. H. Chambers, D. C.; Maj. W. L. Reesman, D. C.; Maj. M. A. Dailey, M. C.

Fort Sam Houston, Tex.: Lt. Col. R. H. Mills, D. C.; Maj. D. W. Forbes, D. C.; Maj. H. C. Michie, M. C.

Chicago, Ill.: Lt. Col. R. E. Ingalls, D. C.; Maj. C. Denham, D. C.; Maj. J. P. Crawford, M. C.

Washington, D. C.: Lt. Col. F. L. K. Laflamme, D. C.; Maj. W. S. Rice, D. C.; Capt. J. B. Anderson, M. C.

Fort Jay, N. Y.: Col. F. F. Wing, D. C.; Col. R. H. Rhoades, D. C.; Maj. F. Kramer, M. C.

ENOUGH SENIOR NAVY AIRMEN.

As a result of studies by the Bureau of Aeronautics and the Bureau of Navigation, it has been found that there are now a sufficient number of senior officers qualified as observers to fill the Navy's requirements until 1932. In order to conserve and fully utilize the facilities at Pensacola for training young aviators, no senior officers will be ordered there for the course of Student Naval Aviation observer.

Naval aviators may be ordered to any duty involving flying but Naval aviation observers, while they may command aircraft carriers, cannot, on account of legal restrictions, command Naval air stations. Furthermore, a senior officer may be trained as a Naval aviator along with younger officers without any increase in the work load on Pensacola or any reduction in the output of young aviators except the one younger student whom he displaces; but the training of a Naval aviation observer either increases the work load on Pensacola or interferes with the training of Naval aviators.

In order to balance the list as to senior officers and provide senior Naval aviators for command of Naval air stations the prospective need with respect to senior officers is for officers of the Classes of 1902, 1903, 1904, and 1905, to qualify as Naval aviators. However, if the necessary candidates for training as Naval aviators are not forthcoming, it will be necessary in 1931 to train additional captains as Naval aviation observers in order that they may be available for sea duty in 1932.

URGE C. C. OFFICER TRANSFER.

The Secretary of the Navy yesterday sent a communication to the Speaker of the House suggesting that officers in the grade of Lt. Commander, who since the World War have been in the Construction Corps doing aeronautical work, should be re-transferred to the line.

DISCUSS LEE MANSION FLAGPOLE.

Discussion of the replacement of the flag that for more than half a century waved before the Lee Mansion at Arlington was renewed this week. A public hearing, at which survivors of the G. A. R., the M. O. L. L., and the W. R. C. were represented, was held before Q. M. Gen. Cheatham. The matter has been referred back to the War Department for adjudication.

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Congress Comments on Army Dress Uniform Authorization

THE "authorization" of the blue uniform by Secretary of War Davis caused repercussions "on the Hill" this week. While many Senators and Congressmen believe that the Army should have a dress uniform, some expressed the belief that its re-adoption should have come through Congressional action making the uniform mandatory. This action would have caused provision to be made for the purchase of such uniforms for enlisted men, avoiding as one member described it, "the spectacle of the world's wealthiest Republic forced to rely on the means of its servants to furnish themselves with proper equipment."

Another phase of the present authorization, it is pointed out, is the fact that, even unintentionally, it will operate in a discriminatory fashion. Those officers who have other means besides their pay can fully equip themselves without trouble while other officers, particularly in the junior grades, must either advertise their "poverty" to the world at large or go into debt. At the Capitol it was stated that although the War Department might say that an officer did not have to purchase a blue uniform it stood to reason that if 10 of 15 officers on a post purchased the dress uniforms, the remaining five would have to buy them to keep their "self-respect."

There is a sympathetic trend "on the Hill" toward suggestions to make the uniform mandatory, with a time clause for the purchase of equipment by officers to save them financial hardship. The possibility of an allowance for officers to purchase uniforms should they be made mandatory has also been discussed.

One of the outstanding subjects of interest in connection with the "authorization" of the dress uniform is the marking of the new branches. The Air Corps will have ultramarine blue piped with orange and the C. W. S., cobalt blue with gold piping.

The following specifications and colors for the various branches are now prescribed, it was learned at the War Department.

For all, epaulets 1 by 1½ inches in width, piping, if any, ½ inch wide; A. C., ultramarine blue, piped with orange; A. G. D., dark blue; Cav., yellow; Chap. Corps, black; C. W. S., cobalt blue with gold piping; C. A. C., scarlet; Detached



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The general description of the uniform as outlined by the *Army and Navy Journal* last week is borne out by a copy of the new specifications drawn up by the Quartermaster Association. One typographical error, wherein a black belt was described as a "Sam Browne belt" occurred in last week's description. The officers will wear with the full dress uniform a belt of black enameled leather 1¼ inches wide covered with four-vellum gold or gilt lace interwoven with three silk stripes, the color of the arm of the service.

Among the first to "break out" in the new uniforms were the recruiting sergeants in New York City, according to reports from the metropolis.

At present the House Military Committee has pending before it H. R. 13277, sponsored by Mr. McSwain, which reads as follows:

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Hale Bill Opens Pay Question

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corresponding relationship in the Army, the Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, the Public Health Service, and one other service, and would entail a considerably greater expense on the Treasury than was indicated in the bill before us. The suggestion was immediately made by several members of the committee that the thing to do was to introduce a resolution providing for a joint committee, as suggested by my friend from Idaho, with a view to revising all of the pay schedules in the various services affected by the 1922 Pay Act, which is under discussion right now.

But, my good friends, that joint board or joint committee should not necessarily take charge of a condition like the one presented to the House today, a specific condition where the 1922 Act, by inadvertence if you please, or by decision of the Comptroller, if you please, did an injustice to a certain group of men in the lower ranks.

This has been going on for six years. These men have been discriminated against for six years. Surely no one will suggest in all seriousness, unless their sole desire is to defeat this legislation, and I do not attribute that desire to the gentleman from Idaho, that we do nothing with this bill until a joint committee has been authorized. They would meet some time in 1929, report some time in 1930 or 1931, and then these injustices may be remedied.

I think I have covered the subject pretty thoroughly, Mr. Chairman. A mistake has been made. These men have been getting the worst of it for six years, and it is now up to the House to remedy the situation without waiting for a so-called joint committee to go into the entire pay question again, which may take three or four years.

Other extracts from the debate follow:

Mr. James. Has the Committee on Naval Affairs taken any action on the Hale bill?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. Last Thursday the Committee took up the bill, but the gentleman was sick, and the question now is before the Committee whether it shall be considered by a joint committee.

Mr. James. The Committee has taken no action whatever?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. No. Mr. James. Does not the gentleman think that any proposition affecting both the Army and the Navy should be considered by a joint committee of the Committee on Military Affairs and the Committee on Naval Affairs?

Mr. Vinson of Georgia. That was the thought in my mind when I suggested to the Committee that a joint committee consider the question of pay between the Army and the Navy.

Hearings, which started on this bill on December 10, lasted but a short period. Rear Adm. R. H. Leigh, Chief of the Bureau of Navigation, the first witness, had presented but part of his statement to the Committee, when the Committee noted from his statement that the Budget had not yet acted upon the bill and the question came up of the effects of the bill on the five other branches coming under the provisions of the general pay law, all of which had been notified of the hearing and had repented present.

Representative Hale, the author of the measure, was not present and in the general discussion of the Committee's jurisdiction, and a shower of questions, considerable confusion developed. Replying to questions from different members, some of them with regard to pay with allowances, others to basic pay and still others to the status of Army and Marine Corps, Admiral Leigh had no opportunity to complete his statement and one off-hand reply with respect to lieutenant commander's pay left an erroneous impression.

The corrected record shows Admiral Leigh, replying to a question from the Chairman, stated that the pay was based on length of service and that a lieutenant commander's base and longevity pay would vary from \$2,400 to \$5,200 showing a maximum pay allowance of \$6,997 with dependents, and a minimum of \$4,158 for an officer with dependents, the length of service ranging from 12 to 27 years. Any lieutenant commander receiving the maximum or approximately that, would be past 40 years of age.

Almost co-incident with the raising of the question of the committee's jurisdiction, the Army's representative having informed the Committee that he had been ordered there by the Secretary of War, Chairman Britton stated that in view of the facts that the Budget had not acted on the proposed bill, and in order to give the department time in which to prepare further data as to its effect on other services, he believed it advisable to postpone further hearings until after receipt of such data and of the budget's attitude. The Committee discussed at some length the advisability of a joint committee announced.

When the question of the bill's effect

on other branches came up, Rear Admiral McNamee said:

I would suggest that the Committee, before taking any action, read Mr. Hale's bill and his remarks on it. His remarks were a very able presentation of the matter. As to amending the Hale bill and adding the Army, let me say, this should not necessarily, as Mr. Hale submitted it, affect any other service except possibly the sea-going services. They might come in, but as it is now, there has been a discrimination against the Navy that has existed for six years. That applies simply to the question of sea-going, or, rather, sea duty, and not field duty. The Army normally has no such thing as field duty, but the Navy normally does have sea duty. That means a discrimination amounting to thousands of dollars in the pay of the officers, and without any justification that anybody can see. I think Mr. Hale saw that very clearly, and I am sorry he is not here to-day. It amounts to as much as \$1,800 difference in the pay of a lieutenant commander.

Admiral Leigh said in part:

H. R. 13614 was introduced by Representative Fletcher Hale on May 8, 1928 and was shortly thereafter referred to the Navy Department for comment. Because of its importance, the amount of money involved, and its relation to the general pay laws affecting the Navy, the Secretary of the Navy reserved immediate comment and convened a special board of Naval officers headed by Rear Admiral Luke McNamee, "for the purpose of considering and reporting upon the effect upon the naval service of bill H. R. 13614, if enacted into law." This Board was also instructed to make a thorough study of the effect upon the Naval service of the existing and controlling joint Service Pay Act of June 10, 1922. The Board submitted its report to the Secretary on September 12. This report comprised an analysis of the entire pay status of officers of the Navy and contained with respect to this bill the following recommendation:

"That the Department give its immediate approval to this bill and that every effort be made to secure its early enactment into law, for it constitutes a definite move not only toward the equalization of pay in cases of officers performing the same duties with the same responsibilities, but also gives emphasis to the fact that has profoundly impressed this Board, namely, that the Joint Service Pay Act of 1922 is not adapted to conditions existing in the naval service."

Based upon this recommendation and upon my own knowledge of the conditions in the Naval service, I strongly recommend to the Secretary that the Department approve the bill, with a slight amendment which I will discuss later. The Department has informed the Director of the Bureau of the Budget that it contemplates recommending the enactment of the bill and has requested information as to whether or not it is in conflict with the financial program of the President.

No reply has as yet, I understand, been received from the Budget and pending such reply the Department naturally cannot express its approval of the bill. I can only state my personal impression and my knowledge of conditions in the Naval service and the effect thereupon of this bill if enacted.

In the endeavor to forestall the statutory expiration of certain allowances made to officers of the Navy during the War in partial compensation for the suddenly and greatly increased cost of living, the Joint Service Pay Act of June 10, 1922, was enacted. This Act confined, within rigid limitations of standardization, six services, both military and quasi-military, of widely varying conditions of service and responsibility. The result has been most unsatisfactory to the Navy, although it is admitted that its representatives shared in the preparation of the Act. It is my hope, and that I believe of all naval officers, that in the not too distant future a general act, whether for all six services or for the Navy alone, which in its terms will be more equitable and more suitable to the Navy will be enacted. In the meantime, however, this bill has been introduced and corrects one of the major faults, but not by any means all of these faults, in the application to the Navy of that Act, a fault which is seriously destructive of the morale of the officer personnel of the Navy.

Briefly this fault is the material reduction of the total of pay and allowances received by officers without legally defined dependents on sea duty as compared with their own pay and allowances on shore duty, and the still greater reduction when compared with the pay and allowances of officers of equal rank and service. The bill removes this fault by providing that officers without dependents on sea duty shall receive the same pay and allowances as those with the same rank and service with dependents.

In explanation: The Joint Service Pay Act provides a certain actual pay for officers of varying grades and length of service and provides allowances in addition, called subsistence and rental allowances. All officers of whatsoever rank receive at least one subsistence allowance, \$219.00 per year. For officers with dependents, as defined by the law, that is, wife, a child or children, or a dependent mother, one additional subsistence allowance is granted in certain ranks and pay grades and two in others. All officers when on shore duty but not in government quarters receive a rental allowance. For officers without dependents this varies according to rank and pay period from \$480 to \$960, for officers with dependents it varies from \$480 to \$1,440. When the officer without legally defined dependents proceeds to sea he automatically loses this allowance; the officer with legally defined dependents continues to receive it when on sea duty.

This is the crux of the entire matter and the condition which this bill is designed to remedy, the fact that two officers of the same rank and of the same service and on the same ship and performing the same duties receive widely different rates of emoluments. In theory, if we are to accept

the principle somewhat socialistic, though it may be that the Government is to care for the family of an officer, it may be presumed excellent in that the officer without legally defined dependents needs only one subsistence allowance and obviously does not need any rental allowance while he has a room, sometimes only a bunk, on a ship.

In conclusion I desire to express again my hope that the entire situation with regard to the unsatisfactory status of the laws as to pay of officers of the Navy, a situation ably discussed in the report of the Pay Board, may be investigated by the Committee and proper remedial measures enacted. The situation is really bad, particularly so as to the younger officers to whom the Navy must look in the future. The officers of the class of 1917 and later are especially suffering because of the discontinuance in 1916 of the allowance of Naval Academy service, a discontinuance which under the then existing pay law had little effect but which now has wide and serious results.

Marine Corps Orders

December 11, 1928.

Capt. A. F. Howard to Hdqrs., Marine Corps, Wash., D. C.; 1st Lt. H. B. Enyart to M. B., Washington, D. C.; J. R. Street to M. D., U. S. S. Sacramento; F. C. Hall, H. H. Hanneken, 2d Lt. H. D. Harris, R. Fagan, W. I. Jordan and D. F. O'Neill to M. B., N. T. S., Newport, R. I. Authorized delay one month en route to Newport.

1st Lt. M. F. Schneider, on arrival U. S. assigned to duty at Naval Prison, M. B., Parris Island, S. C. Authorized delay one month en route to Parris Island. 2d Lt. F. J. Uhlig assigned to duty at M. B., N. S., New Orleans, La., instead of M. C. B., San Diego.

December 12, 1928.

Capt. W. J. Green to Second Brigade, Nicaragua, via the U. S. A. T. St. Mihel scheduled to sail from New York, N. Y., about Dec. 29; A. B. Hale, on Jan. 2, to M. B., N. A. D., Ft. Mifflin, Pa.; 1st Lt. C. H. Yost to Depot of Supplies, Philadelphia.

December 13, 1928.

Capt. W. W. Walker, to Hdqrs. Marine Corps, Wash., D. C., for duty, and to Naval Hosp., Wash., D. C., for treatment; 2nd

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Florida; G. M. Whitson, Jr. to U. S. S. Sharkey; Commanders M. E. Higgins (M. C.) to Naval Dispensary, Navy Department; L. Sheldon, Jr. (M. C.) to U. S. S. Wyoming; Lt. R. B. Blackwell (M. C.) to Div. 42, Dester Sqdns, Scouting Flt; Lt. (j. g.) LeR. F. Farrell (M. C.) to temp. duty Nav. Med. School, Wash., D. C.; D. T. Prehn (M. C.) to Nav. Hosp., Great Lakes, Ill.; C. A. Swanson (M. C.) to Nav. Hosp., Wash., D. C.; Chief Bosn. W. A. James to U. S. S. Challenge; Chief Mach. T. M. Arrowsmith to U. S. S. Oklahoma.

December 12, 1928.

Comdr. A. S. Dysart to U. S. S. Camden; Lts. H. J. Brown to V. F. Sqdn. 1B, Aircraft Sqdns, Battle Fleet; M. E. Browder and F. L. Farrell to temp. duty N. A. S. Pensacola, Fla.; J. R. Tate to V. F. Sqdn. 1B, Aircraft Sqdns, Battle Flt.; R. F. Whitehead to V. J. Sqdn. 1B, Aircraft Sqdns, Battle Flt.; Lt. (j. g.) J. H. Boardman to temp. duty 15th Nav. Dist. thence to U. S. S. Florida; A. S. Keeth to U. S. S. Arizona; M. M. Marple, Jr., to V. F. Sqdn. 3B, Aircraft Sqdns, Battle Flt.; W. T. Rassieur to N. A. Sta., Coco Solo, C. Z.; Ens. W. W. Fuller to U. S. S. Wyoming; B. M. Gates to U. S. S. Tulsa; L. M. Le Hardy to U. S. S. Converse; G. B. Lofberg, Jr., to U. S. S. Concord; D. Logan to U. S. S. McFarland, R. E. Myers to U. S. S. Whitney; F. D. Overfelt to Battle Flt.; W. L. Pryor to U. S. S. Brooks; C. J. Whiting to U. S. S. Barry; Lt. B. W. Gaines (M. C.) to Sub. Base, New London, Conn.; Lt. (j. g.) O. W. Wickstrom (M. C.) to res. accepted Dec. 26; Comdr. E. A. Cobey (S. C.) to Bu. Aeron.; Lt. R. E. Barrett (S. C.) to temp. duty Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.; Chief Bosn. W. Hill to U. S. S. Swallow; Mach. U. H. Leach to Nav. Hosp., Washington, D. C.

Lts. A. Shapley to M. B., N. O. B., Pearl Harbor, T. H., via the U. S. A. T. St. Mihel scheduled to sail from San Francisco, Calif., about Jan. 19; W. W. Benson and G. O. Van Orden, upon completion of course, to M. B., Navy Yard, Norfolk, Va.; R. J. DeLacy, B. H. Kirk, R. C. Scollin and C. Williams, upon completion of course, to M. B., Quantico, Va.

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Navy - Marine Corps: Marine Bill Report Soon; Navy Department Collecting Pay Data; Navy Line Bill Before Senate; Plan Sub Salvage Tests; Stitt Successor Speculation Continues?

If not, you did not read the Army and Navy Journal. You cannot get this vital information from any other source!

National Guard**MASSACHUSETTS.**

Boston, Mass. (Special).—The Adjutant's Office of the 101st Med. Regt. is publishing a bulletin each week. Copies are sent to each of the units of the regiment. They contain items of general information and specify definite objectives that the officers and men of the regiment should have in view.

Capt. E. E. Dugan, M. A. C. Res., has been attached to the 102nd Ambulance Co. He is coaching and managing their basketball team. Candidates for the team have been called out. The following men reported for practice: Lerman, Millard, Pennock, Swanson, Marabello, Doherty, and Gilmore. More men are expected to try for the team at future practice sessions.

This coming season the 101st Medical Regiment expects to have an excellent basketball team representing it in the National Guard League.

MARYLAND.

Baltimore (Special).—His Excellency, the Governor of Maryland, is receiving the officers of the Maryland National Guard at the Executive Mansion, Annapolis, between noon and 1 p. m., on Tuesday, January 1, 1929.

The Brigade Commander is conducting the monthly command post problem in Baltimore on Tuesday evening, Dec. 18. For the problem, the 58th Brigade and the 110th F. A. will have their Headquarters at the Hors. Armory; the 1st Infantry Regimental Hqrs. will be at the State Storehouse, and the 5th Infantry at the Fifth Regiment Armory.

For showing the most marked improvement during the preceding three months, Battery A, 110th F. A., has been awarded the Battalion trophy—a silver ferrule, engraved with the Regimental coat of arms and the motto "Sicut Quercus." The trophy is carried on the staff of the Battery's guidon, and the award is for three months. The improvement is judged on attendance, performance of duty, esprit de corps, appearance of unit, and number of recruits.

The Band Section, Service Company, 5th Infantry, Baltimore, leads the Regiment in enlisted attendance for November, with a percentage of 77.55. The average for the Regiment for the month is 54.05 per cent.

The 1st Infantry, Company A, Frederick, leads the Regiment, with a percentage of 90.26. The 2d is the leading Battalion, with a percentage of 72.80. The average for the Regiment is 70.39 per cent.

FIRE AT WALTER REED.

Fire destroyed a lumber shed at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., on December 12, causing a damage estimated at about \$10,000. The fire destroyed the shed entirely, and damaged the Nurses' School nearby.

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Service Sports**GIVE NAVY SPORTS SCHEDULES.**

Annapolis (Special).—The winter and spring sports schedules for the Naval Academy, in addition to the Varsity basketball schedule published in the *Army and Navy Journal* last week, have been announced as follows:

VARSITY

BOXING: Feb. 2, Massachusetts Institute of Technology; Feb. 9, Georgetown University; Feb. 16, Virginia (at Virginia); Feb. 23, Western Maryland; Mar. 2, Penn State College; March 9, Syracuse University; Feb. 16, Pennsylvania; Feb. 22-23, Inter-collegiates, at Pennsylvania State College.

WRESTLING: Jan. 19, Western Maryland College; Jan. 26, Duke University; Feb. 2, Lehigh University; Feb. 9, Virginia Polytechnic Institute; Feb. 16, University of Indiana; Feb. 23, West Virginia University, at West Virginia; March 2, Pennsylvania State College; March 9, Princeton.

SWIMMING AND WATER POLO: Feb. 9, College of City of New York; Feb. 16, Rutgers University; Feb. 23, University of Pittsburgh (swimming only); March 2, Yale University; March 6, University of Pennsylvania; March 9, Columbia University; March 13, Syracuse University; March 16, Dartmouth College (at Dartmouth); Mar. 22-23, Inter-collegiates (at Princeton University).

LACROSSE: March 30, New York University; April 6, Randolph Macon; April 13, Lehigh; April 20, Lafayette; April 27, Georgia Institute; May 4, Syracuse (at Syracuse); May 11, Pennsylvania State; May 18, University of Pennsylvania; June 1, University of Maryland.

BASEBALL: March 27, Pennsylvania State College; March 30, Lehigh; April 3, Vermont; April 6, Yale; April 10, Pennsylvania; April 13, Richmond; April 17, Bucknell; April 20, Maryland; April 24, Swarthmore; April 27, Washington and Lee; May 1, Wake Forest; May 4, Duke; May 8, Catholic University; May 11, Pennsylvania State (at Pennsylvania State); May 15, William and Mary; May 18, Georgetown; May 22, Western Maryland; May 25, Mt. St. Marys; May 29, Loyola; June 1, Notre Dame.

TRACK: April 20, Boston; April 27, William and Mary; May 4, University of Maryland (at University of Maryland); May 11, Georgetown; May 18, University of Virginia; May 25, open; June 1, open.

PIEBES

The Piebes sport program is as follows:

BASKETBALL: Jan. 12, Emerson Institute; Jan. 19, Baltimore City College; Jan. 23, Staunton Military Academy; Jan. 26, Calvert Hall; Feb. 2, Georgetown Freshmen; Feb. 9, Central High School; Feb. 16, University of Maryland Freshmen; Feb. 23, Baltimore Polytechnic Institute.

BOXING: Feb. 9, Virginia Military Institute Freshmen; Feb. 16, Cook Academy; Feb. 23, Belvoir Academy; March 9, Culver Military Academy.

WRESTLING: Jan. 26, Virginia Military Institute Freshmen; Feb. 23, Franklin and Marshall Academy; March 9, George School.

BASEBALL: April 10, Mt. St. Josephs; April 17, Catholic University Freshmen; April 20, Loyola High School; April 24, Baltimore Poly.; April 27, Calvert Hall; May 1, University of Maryland Freshmen; May 4, Severn School; May 8, McKinley Tech; May 11, Baltimore City College; May 15, Gilman Country School; May 18, Eastern High School; May 22, Georgetown Freshmen.

TRACK: April 13, Devitt Prep.; April 27, Tome; May 4, Univ. of Md. Freshmen; May 11, Georgetown Freshmen; May 18, Virginia Freshmen.

MARINES WIN FINAL GAME.

Quantico (Special).—The Marine eleven closed its football season with a 14-13 win over Loyola at New Orleans Dec. 8. The Leathernecks were the first team to beat Loyola on the latter's own field.

NAVY SOCCERITES TRIUMPH.

Annapolis (Special).—A 6-0 victory over Lafayette last Saturday terminated the Navy's 1928 soccer season.

NAVY RIFLEMEN WIN.

Annapolis (Special).—The Naval Academy rifle team will engage the Western Maryland College marksmen here this afternoon.

SPEAKING of SPORTS

ELIGIBILITY limitations for Big Ten opponents will not be extended to the Military or Naval Academy, the conference at Chicago decided this week. If outside colleges do not quarrel about it, West Point and Annapolis should be able to adjust their eligibility differences. Or are the authorities ineligible to discuss eligibility calmly?

The Presidio of San Francisco expects a renaissance of polo enthusiasm and reports that the fleetest string of polo ponies in that section has just arrived. The West Coast is leaping into the polo limelight as well as holding the gridiron "spot." It must be the climate.

The Cadets and Midshipmen will do their "courtin'" on the basketball floor soon. Both Academies have well-balanced schedules and we hope they woo the fickle "hoops" with success.

ARMY SLATES WINTER SPORTS

West Point (Special).—Winter sports schedules of the Military Academy, in addition to the basketball schedule published in our last issue, were made public recently by Maj. P. B. Fleming, graduate manager of athletics, as follows:

BOXING: Jan. 12, Fordham; Jan. 19, University of N. H.; Jan. 26, University of Toronto; Feb. 2, Georgetown Univ.; Feb. 9, University of Pennsylvania; Feb. 16, New York Univ.; Feb. 23, Virginia Mil. Inst.; Mar. 2, Yale (at New Haven).

WRESTLING: Jan. 12, Washington & Lee; Jan. 19, Springfield Col.; Jan. 26, Univ. of Toronto; Feb. 2, Virginia Mil. Inst.; Feb. 9, University of Pa. (at Phila.); Feb. 16, Harvard; Feb. 23, Princeton; Mar. 2, Columbia.

SWIMMING: Jan. 12, Lehigh Univ.; Jan. 19, Amherst; Jan. 26, University of Pittsburgh; Feb. 2, Colgate Univ.; Feb. 9, Columbia; Feb. 16, Massachusetts Tech.; Feb. 23, Union Col.; Mar. 2, Brown Univ. (at Providence).

HOCKEY: Jan. 5, Princeton; Jan. 9, St. Stephens Col.; Jan. 12, Williams Col.; Jan. 16, Massachusetts Agri. Col.; Jan. 19, Bates Col.; Jan. 26, University of N. H.; Feb. 2, Massachusetts Tech.; Feb. 6, Dartmouth; Feb. 9, Amherst; Feb. 16, Colgate Univ.; Feb. 20, Norwich Univ.; Feb. 23, Royal Mil. Col. (at Kingston); Mar. 2, Rensselaer Poly.

LEWIS RIDERS SCORE.

Ft. Lewis (Special).—The Ft. Lewis Polo Team returned from Vancouver recently after a victorious campaign in which they annexed the championship of the International Polo Tournament, which was staged in the northern city under the auspices of the Vancouver Riding and Driving Club.

The tournament was participated in by teams from Seattle, Vancouver, B. C., and Fort Lewis. The local team consisted of Lts. F. A. Gerrech, W. A. Beiderlinden, G. W. Read, and Capt. M. Ross.

The local team took the first game from Seattle, 11-6, and came back in the final game to win from the crack Vancouver trio, 11-8, thereby winning the trophy.

PLAN RIFLE TEAM TRYOUTS.

To assist the N. R. A. in the selection of the membership of the International Rifle Team which will represent the United States at the International Matches to be held in Sweden in July, 1929, the War Department has instructed all Corps Area Commanders and the Chiefs of Infantry, Cavalry, Engineers and Coast Artillery to recommend such members of their commands or branches who, from their records are specially qualified for tryout for this team.

From the names so submitted, the War Department will select not more than ten candidates, the number which the National Rifle Association requested the Army to furnish for the competition. These competitors will be ordered to Quantico, Virginia, about May 1, 1929, for training.

NEW POLO COMMITTEE MEMBER.

The Secretary of War has designated Maj. E. J. Dawley, F. A., as a member of the Army Central Polo Committee vice Lt. Col. E. H. DeArmond, who was relieved because of a change of station to the Hawaiian Department.

LAUDS GREAT LAKES TEAM.

Chicago (Special).—The Chief of the Bureau of Navigation has written a letter to the Commandant of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station expressing appreciation of the fine spirit and splendid work of the football team which represented the Training Station in the game against Fort Sheridan winning by 19-7.

RESERVES ASK MORE FUNDS

SEEKING provision for the training during the coming fiscal year of 26,000 reserve officers and reserve representation at the annual Camp Perry rifle matches of at least one team per Corps Area, a Committee of the R. O. A. yesterday appeared before the House Committee on Appropriations. Brig. Gen. Roy Hoffman, president of the R. O. A., was also present.

Estimated appropriations for the Organized Reserve in the budget for 1930 are \$251,606 less than for the present fiscal year (1929). This represents some adjustments entirely gratifying to the R. O. A., but the estimate allows for 3,066 fewer trainees than Congress has made appropriations for for the present fiscal year. The R. O. A. expects to convince Congress that at least 26,000 reserves are in line for training.

Organized Reserve TAMPA RESERVE.

Tampa (Special).—At the recent annual meeting of the Tampa Chapter, R. O. A., Lt. Col. J. W. Morris, jr., 328th Inf., was elected president for the coming year. Other officers named were Maj. T. B. Forsburg, 328th Inf., vice president; Lt. J. S. Brengle, secy.-treas., and Maj. J. C. Williams, executive secy.-treas.

CALIFORNIA RESERVE.

San Francisco (Special).—Troop Schools for Reserve Officers assigned to the 30th Infantry have been established within the regiment. The schools will convene at headquarters on the second and fourth Mondays of each month between the hours of 7:45 p. m. and 10 p. m. throughout the inactive training period from October 1, 1928, to May, 1929. Twenty of the 30th Infantry Reserve Officers have already enrolled for the courses.

77TH DIVISION.

New York (Special).—The third meeting of Medical Section, 77th Division, for the 1928-29 inactive duty training period was held at N. Y. C. Dec. 10 with Col. Claassen presiding.

Col. T. O. Murphy, Inf., who has succeeded Col. Sample as officer in charge of the Organized Reserves, 2d Corps Area, was the speaker of the occasion. The training subjects were continued, with instructors from the headquarters group of officers. Some of the members of this section had attended the demonstration by the Tank Corps, U. S. Army, given at Miller Field on Sunday, Dec. 9.

Dedication and blessing of the colors of the 302d Medical Regiment, 77th Div., and dinner, will take place at Fraunces Tavern, Broad and Pearl Streets, New York, on April 6, 1929.

New York (Special).—A second group conference of the 77th Division, Headquarters and Staff, 2d Corps Area, is scheduled to take place shortly. Discussion will be had on the solutions submitted in a problem of "a division in withdrawal," at the first conference, held recently. The above problem was outlined by Col. Wickersham and Lt. Col. Crystal.

SPECIALIST RESERVES MEET.

The first of a series of regular meetings for the Specialist Section of the Officers' Reserve Corps of the District of Columbia was at Washington, D. C., recently. Maj. D. Armstrong, of the Office of the Assistant Secretary of War gave a very interesting talk.

The following schedule of lectures developed: Dec. 21, Specifications and War Reserve, Maj. Rice; Jan., Transportation, Maj. Wilkes; Feb., Power, Maj. Dunn; March, Strategic Raw Materials, Maj. Taylor; April, Specific Procurement Plans, Maj. Armstrong.

RESERVE BILL PASSED OVER.

THE bill to create a Reserve Division in the War Department, S. 3458, was discussed in the Senate Dec. 10, but on objection by Mr. Brookhart, was passed over.

NEW R. O. T. C. UNIT FOR KANSAS.

The Secretary of War has approved the request of the President of the Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kans., for the establishment of a Cavalry R. O. T. C. unit.

GIVE R. O. T. C. TABLET.

The Lexington, Ky., Rotary Club will present to the R. O. T. C. of the University of Kentucky a bronze tablet on which each year there will be inscribed the name of the outstanding graduate student of that year.

Change Regulations on Honors

As a result of the trip to Hawaii made by the Secretary of War, the Honorable Dwight F. Davis, changes in regulations governing military honors and ceremonies have been made by the War Department.

Included in the revision is a change which prescribes a salute of 19 guns for the general of the armies instead of 17. Present regulations prescribe the same salute for the general of the armies as given a general. Inasmuch as the general of the armies is senior to every general, hereafter exceptional honors will be rendered him. The new salute prescribed for the general of the armies of the United States, therefore, will be on a par with that prescribed for that of the admiral of the Navy, or a field marshal.

By another change the reviewing officer will return the salutes of unit commanders down to and including the battalion or squadron commander. This differs from present regulations of long standing which prescribe that he return only the salute of the commander of troops. Thereby the reviewing officer was enabled to observe the command without the interruptions and diversion incident to being on the alert to return salutes. On the other hand such a procedure had the appearance of ignoring many salutes such as those of brigade and regimental commanders of the Hawaiian Division.

Further changes prescribe in greater detail the time honors are to be rendered by escorts or honor on the appearance of the distinguished personage, including a requirement that the escort of honor be brought to attention when the personage takes position from which to receive the salute. At that moment, and not before, the usual salute will be rendered. In the future the person so honored ordinarily will inspect his escort at the conclusion of the honors rendered him by the escort.

Methods of acknowledgement of a cannon salute are left to the discretion of the personage in whose honor it is fired. The individual may acknowledge it by standing at attention either throughout the firing or any portion thereof.

Acknowledgement of salutes by persons in civilian dress may be made by standing at attention. An individual in a military status and wearing civilian clothes may salute with the hand on appropriate occasions.

Another change governs the time element by the ruffles and flourishes and the music which follows them. Heretofore this time element has not been prescribed. The amended regulations, however, prescribe that the music will be considered an inseparable part of the honor and will immediately follow the ruffles and flourishes without pause.

OSBORN NAMED ORD. DIST. CHIEF

Cleveland (Special)—Mr. Henry C. Osborn, president of the American Multigraph Company, has been appointed Chief of the Cleveland Ordnance District, succeeding Col. F. A. Scott. Col. Scott retired last month as Chief of the District because of ill health.

Mr. Osborn was given his appointment at a luncheon in his honor given by Mr. A. C. Brown, president of the Industrial Brownhoist Corporation, at the Union Club, Dec. 12. Brig. Gen. C. L. H. Ruggles, Assistant Chief of Ordnance, presented the appointment to Mr. Osborn. At the same time Gen. Ruggles handed Col. Frank A. Scott his appointment as a member of the Advisory Committee. Members of the Cleveland Ordnance District Staff were present at the luncheon. In addition to those named above, the following are members of the staff of the Cleveland Ordnance District: Mr. Samuel Mather, chairman of the Advisory Committee; Mr. Henry G. Dalton, Mr. James A. Campbell, and Mr. Allyn F. Harvey, members of the Advisory Committee; Mr. Chester K. Brooks, Lt. Col. L. W. Blyth, Hon. R. J. Bulkley, Mr. Reuben Hitchcock, Mr. Edwin F. Carter, Lt. Col. E. C. Peck, Col. J. B. Billard, Lt. Col. A. B. Roberts, Maj. T. W. Carlisle, Maj. William A. Borden, and Capt. J. M. Erwin.

RIGID EXAM FOR FUTURE CADETS.

On account of the fact that the physical requirements for admission to West Point are more rigid than those for enlistment in the Regular Army, the Secretary of War has issued instructions to all Corps Area Commanders to give particular attention to the physical eligibility of young men applying for enlistment with a view to competing for entrance into the Academy.

BRITISH RIDERS INVITED TO U. S.

In an endeavor to continue the custom of playing periodically a British-American Military Polo Tournament, Secretary of War Davis sent a cablegram to the Military Attaché, American Embassy, London, inviting a British Army team to visit the United States in 1929 for a series of matches with an American Army polo team in accordance with the forthcoming invitation of the United States Polo Association to Chairman, the Hurlingham Club Polo Committee.

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OBITUARIES

Announcement of deaths should be addressed to Editorial Office, Army and Navy Journal, Architects Building, Washington, D. C.

ANNOUNCEMENT is made with regret of the death of Mrs. Lillian Katharine Billard on Dec. 8, 1928, at the residence of her son, Dr. Charles L. Billard, 1616 Hobard Street, Washington, D. C. She was born in Warrenton, Va., on May 27, 1848, the daughter of William and Sarah Johnson. Mrs. Billard's girlhood was spent amid the vicissitudes of the Civil War and all her male relatives at the time served in Stuart's Black Horse Cavalry. She came to Washington at the close of the Civil War to live with her only sister, Mrs. George H. Cooper, recently deceased, who had married a Union soldier. Mrs. Billard married Dr. Jules F. Billard who had been a medical officer in the Union Navy and who died in 1912. She leaves four sons and one daughter—Rear Adm. Frederick C. Billard, Commandant of the Coast Guard; Dr. Charles L. Billard and Mrs. George C. Billard, of Washington, D. C.; Mr. William W. Billard of Baltimore, Md., and Mrs. Joseph A. Vaeth, wife of Professor Veath of New York University. Funeral services were held at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Washington, D. C., on Tuesday, Dec. 11, and interment was in Rock Creek Cemetery, Washington, D. C.

Mrs. Elinor B. McCormick, wife of Major Chester E. McCormick, U. S. A., stationed at Schofield Barracks, Hawaii, died Nov. 25, 1928, at Tripler General Hospital, Fort Shafter, Hawaii, from complications following an operation for removal of gall-bladder. Born at Springfield, Ohio, April 20, 1884, she is survived by a sister, Lula Barlow, Springfield, Ohio and two brothers, Raleigh W. Barlow and Edward J. Barlow of Springfield and Belfontaine, Ohio, respectively. Her death was a great shock to the garrison as she had been sick only a short time. Funeral services were held at St. Andrew's Episcopal Cathedral, Honolulu, Nov. 27. Services were conducted by Chaplain J. Burt Webster, U. S. Army and largely attended by the garrison and Honolulu friends. The floral offerings were beautiful.

The body, escorted by Major McCormick, left Honolulu Nov. 30, on board Matson liner *Ventura* for interment at Pleasant Hill Cemetery, Springfield, Ohio, on Dec. 12. Major McCormick will return to Hawaii for station on board the Army transport, St. Mihiel, sailing from San Francisco, Jan. 19, 1929. Major McCormick, as colonel, F. A., commanded the 119th F. A., 32nd Div., during the World War and completed two years' duty as instructor, F. A., Ohio N. G., Columbus, sailing for Hawaii in September, 1927.

Major George H. Rathgeber, U. S. A., ret., who died at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 5, 1928, was born in New Jersey, July 8, 1870. He served as private, corporal, sergeant, and commissary sergeant, 7th Cav., from Jan. 25, 1887 to April 2, 1906; was appointed 2nd Lieutenant, Philippine Scouts April 3, 1906, 1st Lieutenant Sept. 19, 1908, captain Oct. 19, 1914, and was retired with the rank of major on July 1, 1920, on account of disability in line of duty. Major Rathgeber participated in various Indian engagements, including the Battle of Wounded Knee, S. Dakota, on Dec. 29, 1890, and the Battle of Drexels Mission the next day. From 1906 until retirement he served with distinction at various posts in the Philippine Islands and was peculiarly gifted as a topographical draughtsman and surveyor. He commanded Co. A. Phil. Scouts, from Sept. 1, 1917, to Apr. 26, 1918, and was in command of the 8th Battalion, Phil. Scouts from Apr. 27, 1918 to Sept. 1919, at Fort William McKinley, P. I.

Interment with full military honors, was at Arlington National Cemetery, Va., the pall bearers being Maj. Thomas A. Lynch, John F. Daye, Reginald L. Foster, Lt. Harold Jordan, and Capt. Frank E. Stoner. Interment was at Arlington National Cemetery, Va., on Dec. 13.

**Letters to Editor
PAY RELIEF MOST ESSENTIAL.**

Editor, Army and Navy Journal:

IN my opinion the pay of the Army rather than promotion is at the root of the present unrest and dissatisfaction. The truth of the matter is that the Army officer, and enlisted man, too, are not receiving a living wage. Their pay as compared with civil life position of similar category, is one-half to one-fourth less. I recently commanded a small Army post for two or three years, almost monthly I had to go into the personal debt of some officer, many of them excellent officers who absolutely were not able to make ends meet on the present meager Army pay. It was a very exceptional case at that post where an officer who did not have an outside income was not in debt.

A. J. DOUGHERTY,
Colonel, Inf. D. O. L.

Births, Marriages and Deaths**BORN**

ALLEN—Born at the Emergency Hospital, Annapolis, Md., Nov. 30, 1928, to Ens. and Mrs. William Gleason Allen, U. S. N., a son.

BARON—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., to Lt. and Mrs. Richard S. Baron, U. S. N., a daughter, Marie Louise Swann, on December 12, 1928.

DIED

BECK—Born at Pensacola, Fla., Nov. 21, 1928, to Lt. Emanuel Chester Beck, U. S. N., and Mrs. Beck, a son, Stuart Morgan Beck.

CAMPBELL—Born in San Diego, Calif., Nov. 25, 1928, to Ens. and Mrs. D. G. Campbell, U. S. N., a daughter, Maridon.

CAMPBELL—Born at the Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 27, 1928, to Capt. Thomas E. Campbell, Inf., U. S. A., and Mrs. Campbell, a son, James Penhorwood.

CHAMBERLIN—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., December 12, 1928, to Major and Mrs. S. J. Chamberlin, U. S., a son, Stephen Jones, Jr., grandson of Maj. Gen. and Mrs. D. C. Shanks, U. S. A., Rtd.

EDENS—Born at Memorial Hospital, Cheyenne, Wyo., Dec. 2, 1928, to Lt. Jean Edens, 1st Inf., U. S. A., and Mrs. Edens, a daughter, Ann.

FORQUER—Born at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 10, 1928, to Actg. Pay Clerk and Mrs. Charles J. Forquer, U. S. N., a son.

FOX—Born at Walter Reed General Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 7, 1928, to Capt. and Mrs. Alonso P. Fox, Signal Corps, U. S. A., a daughter, Patricia Antoinette.

HASTINGS—Born at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 11, 1928, to Wm. Offr. and Mrs. Frank Hastings, U. S. A., a son.

HOOK—Born at the Methodist Episcopal Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y., Nov. 26, 1928, to Lt. Comdr. Frederick R. Hook, M. C., U. S. N., and Mrs. Hook, a son, Robert Bourke.

HOOKER—Born at Bremerton, Wash., to Col. and Mrs. Richard S. Hooker, U. S. M. C., a daughter.

JASPERSON—Born at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C., to Lt. Robert E. Jasperson, U. S. N., and Mrs. Jasperson, of Annapolis, Md., a son, Robert Wrenn.

KIVETTE—Born at Mercy Hospital, San Diego, Calif., Nov. 18, 1928, to Ens. and Mrs. Frederick N. Kivette, U. S. N., a son.

KNIGHT—Born at Telfair Hospital, Savannah, Ga., on Nov. 18, 1928, to Lt. and Mrs. Daniel B. Knight, U. S. A., a son, Daniel B., jr.

LAVERY—Born at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 13, 1928, to Capt. and Mrs. Arthur L. Lavery, U. S. A., a daughter.

MANNING—Born at Winchester Hospital, Winchester, Mass., Nov. 30, 1928, to Lt. Comdr. George C. Manning, C. C., U. S. N., and Mrs. Manning, their third son, Joseph Miller Manning.

MCDONALD—Born at Los Angeles, Calif., Sept. 29, 1928, to 1st Lt. Ray L. McDonald, U. S. A., ret., and Mrs. McDonald, a daughter, Nancy Ann.

MITCHELL—Born at the Alice Home Hospital, Lake Forrest, Ill., Nov. 25, 1928, to Lt. Frederick W. Mitchell, Dental Corps, U. S. N., and Mrs. Mitchell, a son, William Frederick Mitchell.

NIBECKER—Born at Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 24, 1928, to Lt. Paul Nibecker, C. C., U. S. N., and Mrs. Nibecker, a son.

PRICE—Born at Burnham Hospital, Champaign, Ill., Dec. 5, 1928, to Lt. George S. Price, Field Artillery, U. S. A., and Mrs. Price.

SCHREINER—Born at Cincinnati, Ohio, Nov. 3, 1928, to Mr. Edward Schreiner and Mrs. Schreiner, a daughter, Charlotte Edith, granddaughter of Col. E. R. Schreiner, U. S. A., and Mrs. Schreiner.

SHAUGHNESSY—Born at Touro Infirmary, New Orleans, La., Nov. 27, 1928, to 2d Lt. Ernest E. Shaughnessy, U. S. M. C., and Mrs. Shaughnessy, a daughter, Katherine Antoinette.

THORN—Born at Newport, R. I., Dec. 5, 1928, to Capt. and Mrs. Hamilton Thorn, U. S. A., a son.

THRIST—Born at Walter Reed Hospital, Washington, D. C., Dec. 11, 1928, to 1st Cl. Musician William C. Thrist, U. S. N., and Mrs. Thrist, a son.

MARRIED

DENTY-CREEKMUR—Married in Christ Church, Norfolk, Va., Dec. 8, 1928, Miss Elizabeth Forward Creekmur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Creekmur of Norfolk, to Ens. Harry Marsden Dent, U. S. N., son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Draper Dent of Burns Hills, N. Y.

GLUTTON-BLAKE—Married in Brookline, Mass., Nov. 21, 1928, Lt. Comdr. Paul Rolland Glutton, U. S. N., and Miss Barbara Blake.

LYTLE-CURTIS—Married in Norfolk, Va., Nov. 28, 1928, Miss Sallie Harriet Curtis and Chief Pay Clerk John Wesley Lytle, U. S. M. C.

POHL-EATON—Married in Seattle, Wash., Oct. 27, 1928, Miss Margaret Eaton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert N. Eaton, to Ens. Harold John Pohl, U. S. N., son of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Pohl of Alexandria, Va.

McALEXANDER-CRAIG—Married at the home of Col. and Mrs. Grant T. Trent, Quarry Heights, C. Z., Dec. 5, 1928, Mrs. Grace Palmer Craig, of San Francisco, and Maj. Gen. Ulysses Grant McAlexander, U. S. A., retired.

WIRSIG-RIDGELEY—Married at St. Anne's Church, Annapolis, Md., Dec. 1, 1928, Miss Anne Ridgely, daughter of Professor and Mrs. Ridgely, of St. John's College, Annapolis, to Lt. Frank H. Wirsig, U. S. M. C.

DIED

ALLEN—Died at Grand Rapids, Mich., Dec. 12, 1928, Capt. William H. Allen, Inf.

ALLISON—Died at Governors Island, N. Y., Dec. 12, 1928, of pneumonia, Mrs. Katherine Steele Allison, wife of Col. James B. Allison, U. S. A., Signal Officer of the Second Corps Area.

BILLARD—Died at the residence of her son, Dr. Charles L. Billard, in Washington,

Report Chief of Staff Bill

The Senate Military Committee yesterday ordered reported: H. R. 9961, creating a Generacy for the Chief of Staff, and H. R. 11469 to authorize appropriations for construction at West Point with increased funds for officers quarters and N. C. O. quarters.

D. C., Dec. 8, 1928, Mrs. Lillian Katharine Billard, mother of Rear Adm. Frederick C. Billard, Commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard.

BOYD—Died at Los Angeles, Calif., Nov. 22, 1928, Mrs. Lizzie A. Boyd, widow of Capt. Robert Boyd, U. S. N.; mother of Mrs. Walling, wife of Commodore B. T. Walling, U. S. N., ret., and of Dr. Robert Boyd, formerly of the Navy and Army; grandmother of Mrs. Spore, wife of Comdr. J. S. Spore, U. S. N., and of Mrs. Heneberger, wife of Lt. H. B. Heneberger, U. S. N.

BRANDT—Died at Pass Christian, Miss., Dec. 6, 1928, Hon. George P. Brandt, formerly 1st lieutenant "Thornton Artillery," Mississippi Militia, father of Mrs. W. T. Page, Nijunga, Calif.; Lt. Comdr. George E. Brandt, U. S. N., Rtd.; Mrs. Josephine B. Rhyme; Lt. Grover C. Brandt, U. S. A.; Mrs. Findlay McCaughan; the late Lt. Howard C. Brandt, U. S. A., and Bartholomew B. Brandt, formerly of the Marine Corps.

CONNOR—Died at Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, 1928, Mrs. Minnie M. Connor, mother of Capt. Henry J. Connor, U. S. A., of Fort Humphreys, Va.

COOPER—Died at Hemet, Calif., Nov. 25, 1928, Theodore A. Cooper, brother of Mrs. Hustvedt, wife of Comdr. O. M. Hustvedt, U. S. N., and of Mrs. Pine, wife of Comdr. James Pine, U. S. C. G.

DONEA—Died Dec. 1, 1928, at his home in St. Paul, Minn., Sgt. Peter Donea, U. S. A., ret., who served 30 years in the Army. His first enlistment was in Troop L, 7th Cav., and the remainder of his service in the 3d U. S. Inf. He retired after the World War. He is survived by a widow and two daughters. Interment, with military honors, was at Fort Snelling, Minn., under auspices of the 3d Inf. Veterans' Association and Spanish War Veterans.

GAMBRI—Died at Letterman General Hospital, Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 7, 1928, of pneumonia, after a short illness, Mrs. Suzanne R. Gambri, wife of Col. William G. Gambri, Q. M. C., U. S. A. Interment was in the National Cemetery, Presidio of San Francisco, on Dec. 10.

GILFORD—Died at Manila, P. I., Dec. 7, 1928, as a result of injuries received in a polo game, 2d Lt. Lee W. Gilford, 31st Inf., U. S. A.

GILROY—Died recently at Lansdowne, Pa., Mrs. Henry Engard Gilroy, mother of Mrs. Howard C. Price, wife of Col. Price, 38th Inf., U. S. A., of Fort Douglass, Utah.

GOODRICH—Died at Cincinnati, Ohio, Dec. 9, 1928, Miss Florence Goodrich, sister of Mrs. T. H. Slavens, wife of Brig. Gen. Slavens, U. S. A., ret., and aunt of Mrs. John Cocke, wife of Lt. Col. Cocke, U. S. A.

GREEN—Died at the station hospital, Fort Benning, Ga., Dec. 8, 1928, Albert Thornton Green, infant son of Sgt. and Mrs. Henry Green, U. S. A.

HARRIS—Died Dec. 9, 1928, in an automobile accident, Lt. (j. g.) John Clough Harris, U. S. N.

HAZLETT—Died at Long Beach, Calif., Nov. 25, 1928, Mrs. Alice Mott Hazlett, mother of Lt. Comdr. E. E. Hazlett, Jr., U. S. N.

LAFFERTY—Died in Glendale, Calif., Dec. 1, 1928, Mrs. Alma V. Lafferty, aged 78, mother of the late H. A. Lafferty, U. S. M. A., graduate.

MASON—Died suddenly, Dec. 8, 1928, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Frank McWatters, 27 W. 11th St., New York City. Mrs. Cornelia Marie Mason, widow of Brig. Gen. John Sanford Mason, in her 94th year.

MCCORMICK—Died at Tripler General Hospital, Fort Shafter, Hawaii, from complications following an operation for removal of gall-bladder, Mrs. Elinor B. McCormick, wife of Major Chester B. McCormick, U. S. A., of Schofield Barracks, T. H.

NELLY—Died at Chicago, Ill., Col. Henry M. Nelly, U. S. A., Coordinator of the Corps Areas.

PARDEE—Died at Pasadena, Calif., Dec. 10, 1928, Maj. William J. Pardee, U. S. A.

ROBINSON—Died at Shawneetown, Ill., Nov. 26, 1928, Mrs. India Robinson, mother of Mrs. Townshend, wife of Col. Orval P. Townshend, Int., U. S. A.

SPECK—Died at William Beaumont General Hospital, Fort Bliss, Tex., Dec. 11, 1928, 1st Lt. Roy Henry Speck, U. S. A.

STETSON—Died at Stanford Lane Hospital, San Francisco, Calif., Oct. 7, 1928, Mrs. Lelia Isabel Stetson, wife of Lt. Thomas Ames Stetson, U. S. N. R.

STONEMAN—Died suddenly in Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 1, 1928, G. J. Stoneman, aged 68, son of Gen. George Stoneman, U. S. A.

WILSON—Died in Los Angeles, Calif., Dec. 1, 1928, Col. C. B. Wilson, U. S. V., aged 87 years.

WILLIAMS—Died in an airplane accident on Moran Prairie, near Spokane, Wash., Nov. 23, 1928, 1st Lt. William H. Williams, A. C., Wash. N. G.

WOOD—Died at Bar Harbor, Me., Nov. 23, 1928, Hon. Charles H. Wood, father of Capt. Philip S. Wood, Inf., U. S. A., of Springfield, Mass.

Personals

THE Secretary of War and Mrs. Dwight Davis returned to Washington Tuesday night, the Secretary having met Mrs. Davis in New York that afternoon upon her arrival from Europe.

Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Merritte W. Ireland will entertain at dinner Dec. 19 at the Army and Navy Club, Washington, D. C.

Rear Admiral and Mrs. William D. Leahy entertained at dinner Tuesday evening preceding the reception at the Italian Embassy when their guests were Rear Adm. and Mrs. Richard H. Leigh, Rear Adm. and Mrs. Edward H. Campbell and Capt. and Mrs. Alfred Johnson.

A tea dansant will be given at the Officers' Club at the Army War College Wednesday, Dec. 26, 1928, from 4:30 to 6:30 o'clock p. m. for the young people of the Army and Navy who reside in or near the District of Columbia and for the cadets and Midshipmen visiting the city on Christmas leave.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Troup Miller will have as their guests at their quarters at the Army War College during the Christmas holidays, their son, Cadet Troup Miller, Jr., second class, United States Military Academy; Cadet Royden E. Beebe, Jr., third class, United States Military Academy, and Midshipman Robert Beebe, third class, United States Naval Academy.

Miss Marjorie Ruckman will be at the Martha Washington Hotel, New York City, for the remainder of the current semester of Columbia University.

Lt. George S. Price, F. A., U. S. A., and Mrs. Price announce the birth of a son at Burnham Hospital, Champaign, Ill., on Dec. 5, 1928.

Capt. and Mrs. Hamilton Thorn, U. S. A., announce the birth of a son at Newport, R. I., on Dec. 5, 1928.

Mrs. Gladys McConaughy Richart is at home for the winter with her mother, Mrs. R. E. McConaughy, at 1079 East 2nd South St., Salt Lake City, Utah.

Lt. Robert E. Jasperson, U. S. N., stationed at the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Md., and Mrs. Jasperson announce the birth of a son, Robert Wrenn, at Columbia Hospital, Washington, D. C.

Miss Mary F. Ramsay, daughter of the late Rear Adm. F. W. Ramsay, U. S. N., is now in Paris, where she will remain during the winter.

Mrs. Lucy B. Swindler of Urbana, Ill., has come to Washington, D. C., to spend the winter with her son and daughter-in-law, Capt. and Mrs. Henry O. Swindler, U. S. A., at Corcoran Courts. Mrs. Swindler is past president of the 16th District of the General Federation of Women's Clubs and has been for 20 years one of the most prominent club women of Illinois.

The Presidential election and "what it all means" supplied the main topics at the Gridiron Club dinner in the Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., last Saturday evening, Dec. 8. Among the many Service guests at the dinner were: The Secretary of the Navy, Hon. Curtis D. Wilbur; Gen. John J. Pershing, U. S. A. ret.; Maj. Gen. John A. Lejeune, U. S. M. C.; Maj. Gen. John A. Hull, U. S. A. ret.; Maj. Gen. Edgar Jadwin, U. S. A.; Rear Adm. Cary T. Grayson, U. S. N. ret.; Maj. Gen. J. G. Harbord, U. S. A. ret.; Col. J. F. Coupland, U. S. A.; Capt. D. Pratt Mannix, U. S. N.; Col. Frederick Marsh, U. S. A. ret.; Col. Andrew Moses, U. S. A.; Comdr. G. C. Rhoades, U. S. N.; Col. W. P. Richardson, U. S. A. ret., and Major Parker West, U. S. A. ret.

Rear Adm. and Mrs. David W. Taylor, U. S. N., ret., have with them at their home in Washington for the holidays their daughter, Mrs. John F. Powell, of Chicago. Mr. Powell will arrive in Washington Dec. 20 for Christmas.

Miss Louise Clark, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Frances W. Clark, U. S. A., Fort Hayes Barracks, Columbus, Ohio, attended the Thanksgiving Hop at West Point, leaving Saturday for the Army-Stanford game in New York.

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Weddings

Maj. Gen. Edwin Baruch Winans, U. S. A., announces the marriage of his daughter, Elizabeth Winans Carroll, to Lt. William Rembsburg Grove, Jr., U. S. A., on Tuesday, Oct. 16, 1928, at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis H. Fitch announce the marriage of their daughter, Dorothy Fitch Thurman, to Maj. Harry J. Malony, G. S. C., U. S. A., on Friday, Nov. 30, at their residence at Newton Center, Mass.

Three weddings of much interest in Naval circles will be celebrated this month. The marriage of Miss Elizabeth Sampson Cluverius, daughter of Rear Adm. and Mrs. Wal Tyler Cluverius, U. S. N., to Lt. John Stewart Crenshaw, U. S. N., of Philadelphia, will take place Saturday afternoon Dec. 22 in Trinity Church, Portsmouth, Va., followed by a large reception at the residence of Admiral Cluverius in the Norfolk Navy Yard. The bride-elect is a graduate of the Hartridge School, Plainfield, N. J. She is a granddaughter of the late Admiral Sampson. Lieutenant Crenshaw is a graduate of the Naval Academy of the class of 1921.

The marriage of Miss Margaret Upshur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lee Upshur, of Norfolk, Va., to Lt. William Bowen Ault, U. S. N., will take place Saturday afternoon, Dec. 22, at 4 o'clock in the chapel of the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis and will be attended by only the relatives and close friends of the contracting parties. Lieutenant Ault will have as his best man, Lt. Rudolph Johnson of Washington. Following a short wedding trip, Lt. and Mrs. Ault will make their home in Annapolis where he is stationed.

The marriage of Miss Dorothy Mattie Hudson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Hudson of Norfolk, Va., to Ens. Roland Wendell Rickertts, U. S. N., will take place Christmas day at the bride's home in Norfolk. The groom's best man will be his father, Lt. J. C. Rickertts, U. S. N.

on Tuesday, Dec. 18, 1928, at 4:30 p. m., at the Army and Navy Club, Washington, D. C.

Maj. and Mrs. Charles Nelson Cecil, U. S. A. ret., 2670 Chestnut Street, San Francisco, Calif., had as their week-end guests Dec. 1st, Colonel and Mrs. Charles A. Bennett, U. S. A. ret. They also entertained at dinner at their home in honor of Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Abney. The other guests present included Miss Florence Glenn, Mr. J. Mervey, and Mr. H. Glenn.

Maj. and Mrs. O. H. Saunders of Governor's Island had as their guests for the Army-Stanford game, the Commissioner of Corrections and Mrs. Patterson, Miss Alice Carter of Boston, Maj. and Mrs. Glen Edgerton of Washington, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Warden of Rye, N. Y., and Mr. Lyman Hibbard.

Col. and Mrs. L. Marvin Maus, U. S. A. ret., have closed their home at 2009 Kalorama Road, Washington, D. C., and are spending the winter at the Hotel Deerfoot, St. Petersburg, Fla.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. T. P. Bernard and their two daughters are residing at 244 Mills Avenue, Spartanburg, S. C. Col. Bernard was recently ordered from Fort Hoyle, Md., to Spartanburg, and is on duty with the Organized Reserves of the 82d Division.

Lt. Col. O. P. Robinson, Inf., P. M. S., and T., Indiana University, and Capt. E. L. McKee, Inf., Instructor, were on the night of Dec. 6, initiated in the local company of the Scabbard and Blade, Col. Robinson has been with Indiana University since August, 1928. He is very much in demand as a speaker on the campus and in the community. He is very active in Bloomington affairs, being Vice Commander of the American Legion Post in Bloomington; an official of the 40 and 8, and a member of the Rotary Club. His new book, "The Fundamentals of Military Strategy," is receiving much favorable comment. Capt. McKee is a native of Indiana, and is very popular on the campus.

Lt. and Mrs. Daniel B. Knight, U. S. A., announce the birth of a son, Daniel B., Jr., at Telfair Hospital, Savannah, Ga., on Nov. 18, 1928. Lt. Knight is on duty at Fort Screven, Ga.

1st Lt. Ray L. McDonald, U. S. A. Ret., and Mrs. Ray L. McDonald, announce the birth of a daughter, Nancy Ann., on Sept. 21, 1928, at Los Angeles, Calif.

Army and Navy Society Children of the American Revolution held its regular meeting in the Cabinet Room, Willard Hotel, Washington, D. C., Dec. 8, at 2:30 o'clock. The invocation was given by the Rev. Dr. Meade Bolton MacBryde. The flag salute was led by the Registrar, Master William Harding Carter, II. The roll call showed 65 members. The minutes were read by the President, Master Theodore Tiller, Jr. Mr. George Clarke Jenkins, of Philadelphia, was transferred to the S. A. R. The Misses Breckenridge were transferred to the D. A. R. Society. Miss Helen Reid Wetzel was transferred to the Army and Navy Society. Miss Helen Beal

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Bell of Norfolk, Va., announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Frances Fairfax Bell to Lt. Robert Gentry Norman, U. S. N., of El Paso, Texas. The wedding will take place in February. Miss Bell received her education at "The Castle," Tarrytown on the Hudson and is a sister of Lt. Frederick Bell, U. S. N. Lieutenant Norman is a member of the 1925 class of the U. S. Naval Academy, and is now stationed on the U. S. S. Vega.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Uhl of 2099 Pacific Avenue, San Francisco, Calif., announce the engagement of their daughter, Vere de Vere to Robert Barrett Hutchins, First Lieutenant, U. S. A.

The engagement was announced last night at a dinner given in honor of Miss Adams by Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Weicker, Jr., at their home, 1212 Fifth Avenue, New York City.

Miss Adams is the daughter of the late John Charles Adams and Mrs. Adolph Uhl, formerly of Adams Park, Oakland, Calif.

On her father's side, she is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edson Adams, the former originally from Westport, Conn., and one of the three founders of the city of Oakland, and the founder of the Farmers and Merchants Bank in that city.

On her mother's side, her grandparents were Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Haines Haskell of San Francisco, the former a member of the well known Boston family of that name, and through the Howland and Fuller families comes of Mayflower ancestry. Miss Adams is a graduate of Miss Spence School and a member of the San Francisco Junior League.

Her sisters are Mrs. Theodore Weicker, Junior, of New York and Miss Ernestine Haskell Adams. Her brothers are Mr. Edson F. Adams, Jr., and Mr. John Charles Adams.

Lt. Hutchins is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Arthur Hutchins of Portsmouth, Va.

He is a graduate of West Point, of the original class of 1921, and is aide-de-camp to Brig. Gen. Hugh A. Drum, Commanding General of the First Division and former Chief of Staff of the First Army, A. E. F., under General John J. Pershing. His brother and sister-in-law are Mr.

and Mrs. Henry Arthur Hutchins, Jr., of New York, the latter the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Charles Gilmore Kerley.

His sister is Mrs. Frederick B. Dodge, Jr., the wife of Lt. Dodge, C. A. C., U. S. A. They are now stationed in Honolulu.

The marriage will take place in San Francisco in April.

THE engagement has been announced of Miss Anne Louise Hunt, daughter of Mrs. Hunt and the late Mr. Wilson Price Hunt, of St. Louis, Mo., to Mr. John Mason Frier, son of Col. James H. Frier, U. S. A. ret., and Mrs. Frier, of Webster Groves, Mo. Mr. Frier was graduated from the Naval Academy in the Class of '21 and resigned from the Navy in 1926. He is in business in St. Louis. The marriage will take place at St. Ann's Church in St. Louis early in February.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray L. Skofield, of New York City, announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Erminie Skofield, to R. Deck Reynolds, Class of 1924, U. S. M. A., son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy D. Reynolds, of St. Louis, Mo. Mr. Reynolds is in business in Berkeley, Calif.

Powell became a life member. Master John William Belt, III, was admitted to the society. Wreaths of chrysanthemums were placed by Helen May Bloodorn on the monuments of Gen. Von Steuben and Gen. Lafayette on their birthdays. Mrs. Larz Anderson was invited to address the society and her splendid letter was read before the meeting. Mrs. Herbert Hoover's grandchildren were invited to join the Army and Navy Society, and Miss Gertrude Bowman's letter was read to the children. It was moved and seconded that a silver cup be given by the Army and Navy Society to the annual Horse Show held in the Riding and Hunt Club, for the benefit of the new clubhouse for soldiers, sailors and marines, 11th and L Streets, N. W. A delightful program followed the report of the officers and chairmen of committees by the talented children. Dainty Xmas Colonial boxes tied with blue and plum narrow velvet ribbon, each containing some charming gift, were awarded the little artists after each composition by way of appreciation. Dr. MacBryde gave a delightful talk to the society. Mrs. Edward Nelson Dingley told delightfully the Rose O'Neill Kewpie Doll stories and brought along her set of Kewpie Dolls to illustrate the stories. The Institute of Musical Art, Dr. C. E. Christiani, sent a quartet composed of Miss Hannah Booth, Mr. Morris Theis, Mr. Edward Pough and Mr. Ford Kramer.

Mrs. M. S. Jarvis is ill at Walter Reed Hospital. Col. and Mrs. Jarvis have an apartment at 2400 16th street, Washington, D. C.

The Secretary of War and Mrs. Dwight F. Davis are the guests in whose honor Maj. Gen. and Mrs. Lutz Wahl will entertain at dinner this evening.

Mrs. William J. Connolly and son Jimmie, who have spent the past two months at (Please turn to Page 318)

Bills in Congress**Senate Bills Introduced.**

S. 4730, Mr. Bruce, to authorize Brig. Gen. W. S. Thayer, Med. Res., and Col. W. H. Welch, Med. Res., to accept such decorations, orders, and medals as have been tendered them by foreign governments in appreciation of services rendered.

S. 4786, Mr. Reed, to amend section 47c, national defense act, as amended, relating to military training required to entitle members of the R. O. T. C. to receive commutation of subsistence.

S. 4840, Mr. Bourlard, to recognize commissioned service as active commissioned service while on the retired list in determining rights of officers of the Regular Army.

S. 4849, Mr. Curtis, to authorize an appropriation for the construction of two barracks buildings, one hospital wing, and two sets of double quarters for doctors at the Western Branch of the National Home for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers.

S. 4850, Mr. Tyson, to give credit for longevity pay and retirement to warrant officers of the U. S. Army for services rendered in all other departments of the U. S. Government.

S. J. Res. 177, Mr. Reed, for the appointment of a joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives to investigate the pay and allowances of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey and Public Health Service.

House Bills Introduced.

H. R. 15010, Mr. McSwain, to retire disabled nurses of the Army and Navy.

H. R. 15034, Mr. Hale, providing for the promotion of Ch. Bsns. E. Sweeney, U. S. N., Rtd., to the rank of lieutenant on the retired list of the Navy.

H. R. 15060, Mr. Murphy, to reinstate C. R. Conroy in the U. S. Military Academy.

H. R. 15082, Mr. Morin, to amend section 47c, national defense act, as amended, relating to military training required to entitle members of the Reserve Officers' Training Corps, to receive commutation of subsistence.

H. R. 15187, Mr. Swing, for the relief of Capt. N. K. Holderman.

H. R. 15189, for the relief of Lt. Comdr. H. Butis, M. C., U. S. N.

H. R. 15205, Mr. Britten, to amend the act of May 4, 1928, as amended, relating to the number of acting assistant surgeons in the Navy to be appointed by the President.

H. R. 15206, to provide for advancement in rank of certain officers on the retired list of the Navy.

H. R. 15210, Mr. Hoffman, to authorize promotion upon retirement of officers of the Army in recognition of World War Service.

H. R. 15225, Mr. Christopherson, authorizing the President to reappoint Capt. J. D. Edgar, U. S. A., Rtd., to the position and rank of Captain, M. C., U. S. A.

H. R. 15239, Mr. McCormack, authorizing the President to present in the name of Congress a medal of honor to Lt. L. J. Maitland, A. C. U. S. A.

H. R. 15240, authorizing the President to present in the name of Congress a medal of honor to Lt. A. F. Hegenberger, A. C. U. S. A.

H. R. 15245, Mr. Crail, providing a nautical school at the port of San Pedro, Los Angeles, Calif.

H. R. 15293, Mr. Hill, for the relief of Lt. J. J. Powers, Q. M. C.

H. R. 15294, Mr. Hogg, for recognition of meritorious service performed by Ch. Gnr. C. L. Tibbals.

H. J. Res. 349, Mr. Morin, for the appointment of a joint committee of the Senate and House of Representatives to investigate the pay and allowances of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey and Public Health Service.

Bills Passed By The House.

H. R. 5491, an act to amend an act entitled "An act making appropriations for the naval service for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, and for other purposes," approved July 12, 1921;

H. R. 5713, an act to permit certain warrant officers to count all active service rendered under temporary appointment as warrant or commissioned officers in the regular Navy or as warrant or commissioned officers in the United States Naval Reserve Force for purpose of promotion to chief warrant rank;

H. R. 12032, an act to amend the act entitled "An act to readjust the pay and allowances of the commissioned and enlisted personnel of the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, Coast and Geodetic Survey, and Public Health Service," approved June 10, 1922, as amended;

H. R. 13249, an act to authorize an increase in the limit of cost of alterations and repairs to certain naval vessels;

H. R. 13414, an act to amend section 1396 of the Revised Statutes of the United States relative to the appointment of chaplains in the Navy;

H. R. 13685, an act to regulate the distribution and promotion of commissioned officers of the Marine Corps, and for other purposes;

H. R. 14660, an act to authorize alterations and repairs to the U. S. S. California;

H. R. 14922, an act to authorize an increase in the limit of cost of two fleet submarines.

TO PRESENT SCHIFF TROPHY.

PRESIDENT Coolidge will present the Herbert Schiff Trophy to Lt. J. E. Dyer of the Naval Air Station, San Diego, at the White House today.

SUB DIV'NS WIN.

San Diego (Special).—The Submarine Division's basketball team commenced their series with the U. S. S. N. Va. quaint to decide the Battle Fleet title last week, with a 44-36 victory.

WEST POINT, N. Y.

Dec. 14, 1928.

MEMBERS of the garrison at West Point are devoting the greater part of their time at present to Christmas shopping, but sports over the week-end are very popular. Now that the football season has closed the members of the post are showing great enthusiasm for polo and for the first basketball game of the season which will be held in the gymnasium on Saturday.

Last Saturday a picked team of officers from Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., played the first polo game of the season against the cadet team. Among the polo players from Vermont were Capt. Charles Ferrin, Lt. John H. Corrigan and Lt. Irving A. Duffy.

Polo was again played on Sunday morning when the Fort Ethan Allen players met a team of West Point officers. Among those who played from the garrison here were Maj. James N. Caperton, Capt. Charles H. Gerhardt, Capt. Joseph S. Tate, Lt. Coronel C. Jadwin and Lt. Eric S. Molitor.

Among the visitors on the post who have been much entertained since their arrival are Mr. and Mrs. John Buchanan of Warrenton, Va., and Washington and Mrs. Roland Hett of Parry Sound, Canada. Both Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Hett are sisters of Mrs. Arthur B. Kinsolving, wife of Chaplain Kinsolving, with whom they are visiting.

Chaplain and Mrs. Kinsolving entertained at dinner for their guests recently and also Major and Mrs. Raymond G. Moses and Major James N. Crane of West Point.

Mrs. Philip B. Fleming, wife of Major Fleming of West Point, also entertained at dinner in her quarters on the post recently, honoring Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Hett.

Lt. Col. and Mrs. Howard McC. Snyder of West Point were hosts in their quarters on Sunday at a tea for several members of the post, complimenting Mr. and Mrs. Buchanan and Mrs. Hett.

FORT BLISS, TEX.

Dec. 10, 1928.

LT. COL. AND MRS. ALFRED L. MASON entertained the members of the Veterinary Corps Bridge Club with a bridge dinner on Nov. 26.

Capt. and Mrs. Rufus Walter entertained with a beautifully appointed dinner in their quarters on Mountain Ave., Thanksgiving evening. Guests were seated at one long table which was lighted by red tapers of graduated length, in low holders. Nut baskets were of red and the center decoration was a mound of fruit typical of the season. Covers were placed for Maj. and Mrs. Monte Hicock, Maj. and Mrs. Michael Dailey, Capt. and Mrs. Lincoln Martin, Capt. and Mrs. Herbert Jackson, Capt. and Mrs. Joseph Denton, Capt. and Mrs. Wesley Price, Capt. and Mrs. Claude C. Langley, Capt. and Mrs. Earl Green, Mrs. L. C. Warner, Lt. and Mrs. Milton Hankins, Lt. and Mrs. J. B. Luscomb and Mr. and Mrs. Matt Jure. Dancing was the diversion of the evening.

Lt. and Mrs. Ben Graban and small daughter left Thursday, Dec. 6, by motor for Fort Worth, where they will spend a month's leave. They will stop at Marfa en route, where they will be guests of Lt. and Mrs. Lawrence Smith. They will also spend a few days with friends at San Antonio.

Maj. and Mrs. J. M. Jenkins, with their two children, left the latter part of last week for a three months' leave before reporting to Fort Sill, Okla., their new station.

Capt. and Mrs. Lester Ingram were hosts to the Wagon Train Bridge Club on Nov. 27 in their quarters on Rampart Street.

Miss Ida Epps, who was the Thanksgiving guest of her sister, Mrs. Ben Graban and Lt. Graban, left Nov. 30 for her home in Fort Worth.

FORT SCREVEN, GA.

Dec. 10, 1928.

ON Nov. 20, Mrs. Arthur Clyde Evans entertained at a bridge tea in honor of Mrs. Stephen Ackerman. The prizes for high bridge score went to Mrs. Walter Wink and Mrs. L. D. Wallis. The consolation prize was presented to Mrs. Kenneth Whittemore. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess assisted by Mrs. Rodman and Mrs. Whittemore.

The Thanksgiving dance at the Officers' Club was incentive for several delightful dinner parties on the post preceding the dance. Capt. and Mrs. John Wesley Rodman entertained the following guests in their quarters: Misses Esther Roberts, Mildred Roberts, Mary Wilder, Virginia Walthouer, Virginia Fullenwilder, Eleanor Brown, and Messrs. William Wade, Clifford Reckling, Robert Warnell, William Hicks, Newell West, and Capt. F. A. Jones, A. D. Cameron, Lts. L. E. Roemer, R. F. Sink, W. E. Moore, Lt. and Mrs. H. E. McKinney, Lt. and Mrs. Kilbourne Johnston, and Lt. and Mrs. B. A. Daughtry.

Lt. and Mrs. Luther D. Wallis were hosts to Major and Mrs. Arthur C. Evans, Capt. and Mrs. Edwin Bowden, Capt. and Mrs. Walter C. Phillips, Mrs. Robert W. Horton, Chap. and Mrs. Jodie G. Stewart, and Lt. Thomas R. Horton.

Lt. and Mrs. Stephen S. Hamilton's dinner guests were: Capt. and Mrs. R. L. Wright, Capt. and Mrs. Stephen H. Ackerman, and Capt. and Mrs. Letcher O. Grice.

FORT LEWIS, WASH.

Dec. 8, 1928.

THE officers and ladies of the Fort Lewis garrison were hosts for a reception and Tea-Dansant Monday afternoon, Dec. 4, at the Officers' Club in compliment to Maj. Gen. William C. Rivers, Inspector General of the United States Army. The club was formally decorated with the regimental standards and colors of the Third Division, and the scarlet guidons and bugles and tabards of the Field Artillery. The tea table was unusually attractive, centered with a basket of yellow chrysanthemums, and pale green and yellow candies in silver candlesticks. In the receiving line were Gen. and Mrs. Michael J. Lenihan, Mrs. H.

POSTS and STATIONS

L. Walhall, wife of Col. Walhall, General Rivers, Lt. W. A. Bugher, and Lt. F. H. Vanderwerker. Presiding during the tea hour were Mrs. Philip R. Ward, wife of Col. Ward, and Mrs. J. W. Schultz, wife of Major Schultz. They were assisted by Mrs. E. F. Barry, Mrs. F. A. Garrecht Jr., Mrs. T. W. Jones, Mrs. Paul Leech, Mrs. J. Shelburne Robison, Mrs. C. C. Rowland, Mrs. Donald Spalding, and Miss Virginia Walhall.

Many other smart affairs were given to compliment Gen. Rivers. Following the reception Gen. and Mrs. Lenihan entertained at dinner in the commanding general's quarters in honor of General Rivers. Gen. Charles R. Howland gave a luncheon Monday afternoon, Dec. 3, in his quarters in the staff area honoring General Rivers.

Capt. and Mrs. Floyd Moore were hosts for dinner and bridge Wednesday evening Dec. 5 in their quarters in the hospital area entertaining Capt. and Mrs. David W. Craig, Capt. and Mrs. T. W. Jones, Lt. and Mrs. F. H. Vanderwerker, and Mrs. Isabelle Walker Vanderwerker of Washington, D. C.

AIR CORPS TRAINING CENTER, TEX.

Dec. 11, 1928.

PRIOR to a recent Kelly Field hop, Gen. and Mrs. F. P. Lahm entertained sixty at dinner at the Duncan Field Club, honoring the season's debutantes and girls of Fort Sam Houston.

The Rose Room of the St. Anthony Hotel was the scene of a beautiful luncheon, with Mrs. J. E. Chaney, of Kelly Field, as the hostess. Four large tables used in seating the guests were adorned with mounds of vari-colored roses, and insignia of the different branches of the service were carried out in the dessert. Covers were laid for sixty.

Mrs. R. E. Snavely and Mrs. H. K. Ramey entertained with a Mexican luncheon at the Green Lantern, later taking their guests to the Air Corps Woman's Bridge Club at Kelly Field.

One of the prettiest parties of the season was a bridge luncheon given by Mrs. L. E. Hunting at the Bright Shawl on Nov. 14. The thirty guests were seated at a star-shaped table which had a centerpiece of American beauty roses and violets. Prizes were won by Mrs. J. M. Clark and Miss Marion Aured.

Mrs. Thomas Lowe entertained with a lovely luncheon and bridge party at Polly's Tea Rooms in honor of Miss Mary Frances Rogers, who is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. T. Sprague.

The officers and ladies of Brooks Field entertained with a tea dance following the returns of the Army-Nebraska game, Nov. 24, and again on Dec. 1, following the Army-Stanford game.

Mrs. Carl J. Crane entertained with a bridge luncheon on Dec. 5 in honor of Miss Frances Rogers.

NINTH NAVAL DISTRICT.

Dec. 10, 1928.

REAR Adm. Thomas T. Craven, U. S. N. R. Commandant of the Ninth Naval District and the Great Lakes Naval Training Station, has just completed an inspection of the Naval Reserve Units at Duluth, St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn.

While in Duluth, Adm. Craven was the guest of honor at a luncheon given by the Open Forum Committee of the Chamber of Commerce. An inspection was made of the U. S. S. Paducah and the U. S. S. Essex. He was entertained at a dinner given by the local Naval Reserve officers at the Hotel Duluth, and a public inspection was made of the local units of the Tenth Battalion at the armory in that city.

Proceeding to St. Paul, Adm. Craven paid his respects to Governor Christianson and other state officials. He was the chief guest at a dinner given by the St. Paul Association in the St. Paul Athletic Club. The visit to St. Paul concluded with the inspection of the Eleventh Naval Reserve Battalion at the Auditorium in that city.

FORT DES MOINES, IOWA.

Dec. 12, 1928.

THE ladies riding classes got under way the first of the month. This year the classes are under the supervision of 1st Lt. Jas. B. Patterson, 14th Cavalry. The classes are two in number and meet each Tuesday and Thursday. The members of the advanced class are: Mmes. Phineas M. Henry, Gardner Cowles, Jr., James Wallace, George Carpenter, Jr., Fred Jones, Rodger S. Finkbine, John D. Shuler, Don B. Shaw, Fred Hubbard, of the city of Des Moines and B. M. Creel, L. M. Hanna, W. B. Webb, and Miss Marion Butler of the Post.

The membership of the basic class is: Mmes. T. W. Morris, Russell Reel, Casper Schenk, C. A. Leland, Jr., Marshall Souers, C. A. Wetrous, Sam Schloss, L. F. Wheelock, A. L. Friedlich of the city and Mmes. J. E. Maher, E. D. Campbell, W. F. Wieck, T. J. McDonald, J. B. Patterson, G. W. Dudley, and Miss Marion Butler of the post and Misses Ruth Rosenfeld and Louise Knots of the city.

The 14th Cavalry band played the second of a series of concerts at the Service Club on Dec. 4. The band is under the leadership of Warrant Officer R. C. Park.

Gen. Geo. H. Cameron (Ret.) accompanied by Mrs. Cameron arrived at the Post Sunday to spend the holidays with their daughter and son-in-law, Capt. and Mrs. B. M. Creel.

Orders have been received transferring Lt. Col. A. G. Hixson, 14th Cavalry, from that organization to the 165th Cavalry Brigade with headquarters at San Antonio, Texas. Colonel Hixson has been with the Regiment a year and has made many friends who regret to see him leave, but

join in wishing him success and happiness at his new station. Sunday, Dec. 9, Col. Hixson entertained a party of approximately 35 couples at the Des Moines Club.

Lt. and Mrs. J. B. Patterson, 14th Cav., had as their dinner guests at Wakonda Country Club, Dec. 9, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Friedrich, Capt. and Mrs. B. M. Creel, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Spalding, and Miss Virginia Walhall.

Social activities have been greatly curtailed at the Post during the past week on account of a flu epidemic. Altho the situation is well in hand, it was deemed advisable to postpone all gatherings and parties scheduled at the Post for the week.

NORFOLK, VA.

December 14, 1928.

REAR ADM. AND MRS. GUY H. BURRAGE have issued invitations to a dinner to be given at their home at the Naval Base, Friday evening, Dec. 14. Their daughter, Mrs. Barton Myers, jr., who is making her home with her parents this winter, will entertain at a luncheon Dec. 19 in honor of Miss Elizabeth Cluverius and Mrs. Reginald Whitehurst.

Rear Adm. and Mrs. Wat Tyler Cluverius entertained at dinner at their home in the Navy Yard on the evening of Dec. 1. Covers were laid for nine.

Rear Adm. Walter Crosley entertained at a dinner on board his flagship the Antares on the evening of Dec. 7 in honor of Rear Adm. and Mrs. Wat Tyler Cluverius. Covers were laid for 12.

Capt. and Mrs. William J. Zalesky entertained at dinner Dec. 5 at their home in the Naval Hospital grounds in compliment to Rear Adm. and Mrs. Guy H. Burrage. Covers were laid for 15.

FT. SNELLING, MINN.

Dec. 10, 1928.

THE commandant's quarters at Ft. Snelling were the scene of a pre-Thanksgiving party, Nov. 28, when Col. and Mrs. Walter C. Sweeney were hosts to 24 guests at a dinner, later attending the Thanksgiving dance at Service Club, given by the officers. The dinner tables were attractively decorated in yellow pompon chrysanthemums.

Maj. and Mrs. D. B. Crafton were hosts at one of the largest parties preceding the Thanksgiving dance, when they gave a buffet supper for 40 guests. Small russet and gold chrysanthemums formed a mound for the dining table with four green candles shedding a mellow glow.

Bronze, yellow and white chrysanthemums made the dinner tables effective at the quarters of Col. and Mrs. W. B. Graham when they were hosts at a dinner Nov. 28, later escorting their party to the dance at Service Club.

Capt. and Mrs. John C. Cody were also hosts at a charming dinner party before the Thanksgiving ball. Orange tapers and shaded yellow chrysanthemums adorned the small tables where covers were placed for 28 guests.

Lt. and Mrs. John O. Kilgore have been entertaining Lt. Kilgore's mother, Mrs. Wm. K. Kilgore, of Chicago. Lt. and Mrs. Kilgore left Dec. 1 for two months to be spent in Chicago and New York.

Mrs. D. F. Pratt, wife of Capt. Pratt, an duty at University of Minnesota, entertained on Nov. 27, with a bridge-luncheon for 12 Army ladies. Yellow and russet chrysanthemums adorned the rooms and the luncheon tables were lighted with yellow tapers with tulle bows.

On Dec. 4, Mrs. Pratt gave the second of her series of parties entertaining eight guests for luncheon and bridge. Chrysanthemums in pink shades made the decorations.

FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH.

Dec. 11, 1928.

MAJ. CHARLES J. ALLEN, recently on duty at Fort Douglas, now military attaché to the ambassador to Peru, is visiting friends in Salt Lake.

The small bore matches began the middle of November, and will run until February. They are conducted under the auspices of the 38th Inf. Rifle Association, Capt. W. S. Wood, president.

The Women's Club of the Post met for their regular monthly meeting, for a luncheon, at the home of Mrs. Chester J. Dick, on Dec. 4. The Club is carrying on relief work among the soldiers' families in addition to the social activities.

Capt. and Mrs. W. L. Sherwood are now settled in their new quarters on the Circle. They arrived at Fort Douglas in the Fall, after a tour of duty in Porto Rico, with the 65th Inf. Capt. Sherwood commands Headquarters Company, 38th Inf.

Maj. and Mrs. H. H. Towler were hosts to a dinner bridge Nov. 28. Dinner was served at the card tables which were appropriately decorated for Thanksgiving. Twenty guests were present, and the prizes were won by Mrs. T. E. Mahoney, Capt. F. U. McCroskie, and Maj. and Mrs. Paul Mueller.

WASHINGTON BARRACKS, D. C.

December 14, 1928.

THE commandant of the Army War College and Mrs. William D. Connor entertained at an afternoon tea at the officers' club on this post, on Dec. 8, in compliment to the Ambassador of Japan and Mme. Debuchi. The hours were from 4:30 to 7 o'clock.

Never in the history of the club has a more national and distinguished company assembled at the club building than were guests of Gen. and Mrs. Connor.

The brilliant company was composed of foreign diplomats in their full dress, representing the costumes of their native lands; Senators and Representatives, with their families; Naval and Army officers and many prominent civilians. The Army band played throughout the afternoon and a buffet supper was served.

Mrs. John J. Fulmer has just returned from Detroit, Mich., where she was visiting her mother, Mrs. F. W. Brooks.

Col. Samuel C. Vestal and Mrs. Vestal entertained for the Historical Section of the Army War College, at the dinner dance, given at the officers' club, this post, on Nov. 30. Covers were laid for 42 guests. Col. Vestal is chief of this important branch of the College.

Col. and Mrs. Troup Miller and daughter, Rosa, have returned from a trip to New York, where they witnessed the Army-Stanford football game.

Miss Barbara Campbell King, daughter of Gen. and Mrs. Campbell King, has cards out for a dance at the officers' club on Dec. 28.

Maj. James F. Johnston and Mrs. Johnston were dinner hosts at the club at the last dinner dance.

Mrs. William D. Connor has presented a silver cup. The two ladies who attain the highest score in golf have their names engraved thereon each year. For the games just ending Mrs. Francis B. Wilby and Mrs. Hughes scored highest and will be the first golf players to have their names on the fine cup.

MARCH FIELD, CALIF.

Dec. 10, 1928.

HONORING Lt. Harry Halverson, who has been ordered to March Field for duty, Lt. and Mrs. Arnold Pitts entertained with a buffet supper in their home on Larchwood.

Lt. Harry Halverson, who has recently arrived from Duncan Field, Tex., has taken a house on Brocton, where he will be joined in the near future by Mrs. Halverson and three children.

As a farewell to Lt. and Mrs. Kenneth Garrett, who have departed for San Francisco, where Lt. Garrett will undergo treatment at Letterman General Hospital, Lt. and Mrs. Homer Chandler entertained informally at dinner.

Lt. and Mrs. Charles Dowman had as a house guest recently, Lt. McMenemy, U. S. N., of San Diego. Several intimate friends of the honoree called, including Lt. and Mrs. Hugh Minter, Lt. and Mrs. James Cumberpatch and Lt. and Mrs. William Goldsborough.

Honoring Lt. and Mrs. Kenneth Garrett before their departure for San Francisco, Lt. and Mrs. Cornelius Kenny entertained with a Sunday morning breakfast, covers being laid for the honor guests, Lt. and Mrs. Homer Chandler and the hosts.

The many friends of Capt. Lloyd Keesling, who has been ill with pneumonia, will be glad to know that he is now on the convalescent list.

Lt. and Mrs. Fred C. Nelson were recent hosts at a delightful Thanksgiving dinner in their home. Autumn leaves and appropriate favors decked the dinner table where places were laid for Lt. and Mrs. Barney Giles, Lt. and Mrs. Morton McKinnon and the hosts.

THE THIRD CORPS AREA, MD.

Dec. 14, 1928.

PERHAPS one of the saddest and unluckiest deaths in Army Circles of recent years and especially felt by the Third Corps Area, was that of Mrs. William G. Gamblin—wife of Col. Gamblin—on Dec. 7, in San Francisco, Calif.

Mrs. Fred W. Sladen and her daughter Betsy was a popular visitor for two weeks in West Point as the guest of Gen. and Mrs. Smith preceding the Stanford and Army game. Mrs. Sladen and she witnessed the dreadful wallop we got from California, well—how-some-ever—West Point's defeat of both Harvard and Yale gave it first rank among Eastern teams.

Lt. Joseph A. Cranston, Jr., was a guest at West Point recently. However, one feels more like going home than being a guest in West Point during the football season or at Christmas time, for many old friends gather there.

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U. S. S. B. Opposes Dallinger

A RESOLUTION urging upon Congress that the placement of contracts for building 17 cruisers provided in the pending naval construction bill be left to the discretion of the Secretary of the Navy was adopted by the Shipping Board Dec. 1. The Board is of the opinion that the Secretary should be free to award these contracts to private shipyards, should construction bids be satisfactory, to the end that the shipbuilding industry of the United States may be better able to build merchant vessels at prices comparable to those prevailing in foreign shipyards.

Chairman T. V. O'Connor of the Board, in commenting on the situation, called attention to the so-called Dallinger amendment to the bill providing for the building of every other vessel by a navy yard. He said:

Under the existing law, the Secretary of the Navy has the power to place naval construction in private shipyards or in navy yards.

The bill pending in the Senate carries an amendment which limits the powers of the Secretary of the Navy and requires that of the 17 cruisers allowed in the bill, the first cruiser and alternate cruisers thereafter shall be built in navy yards.

This provision being mandatory deprives the Secretary of the Navy of the right to give the private shipyards construction contracts in the portion of this work to which they might be entitled.

The Shipping Board, under the provisions of the newly enacted Jones-White law is empowered to make large loans to private builders of American merchant ships.

The construction cost of these ships is naturally a most important element in the development of a modern American merchant fleet able to compete with foreign ships in the carrying of American imports and exports.

On account of the higher standards of living and higher wages prevailing in America the construction of a ship in an American yard is much more expensive than in a foreign yard.

To reduce this excess in cost of American ship construction is the duty of all Government agencies.

We must face the facts as they are. We must furnish immediate remedies or prepare ourselves for ultimate defeat in our task of developing a modern American Merchant Marine.

In my judgment there can be no such thing as a permanent American Merchant Marine unless we have in this country modern shipyards with active engineering and building organizations.

Some of our shipyards are as good as any in the world but on account of lack of business our organizations are in a state of decline. If the shipyards awarded construction in substantial amounts the result will be that the owners of these yards on account of a wider distribution of overhead expense can reduce greatly their figures for construction of merchant ships, and thus afford us an opportunity to rapidly develop merchant ship construction.

The fact is that the sea power of any nation consists of the armed ship and the unarmed ship. The adequate existence of the one is impossible without the equally adequate existence of the other and this principle should be borne in mind in the construction, as well as in the operation of both classes of ships. As a friend of the American Merchant Marine and as an official charged with the maintenance of a Merchant Marine, I earnestly hope that no pending legislation will deprive American Shipyards of business to which they are entitled.

Comptroller General Decisions

A-25061 (S) Transportation—Excess baggage—Navy nurse. A member of the Nurse Corps, U. S. Navy, is not entitled to reimbursement for the cost of transporting 100 pounds of excess baggage, when joining for duty under first order. The Army Nurse Corps and the Navy Nurse Corps are entitled to have transported the authorized allowance of baggage when joining for duty under first order, on permanent change of station and on return to their homes upon retirement.

A-19776 (S) Pay of officer detailed as Assistant to Chief of the Bureau of Navigation in the Navy Department. Under the act of March 4, 1925, 43 Stat. 1275, an officer of the Navy of the rank of rear admiral while serving under detail as Assistant to the Chief of the Bureau of Navigation in the Navy Department is entitled to the highest pay of his rank, being \$8,000 per annum as provided in Section 8 of the act of June 10, 1922, 42 Stat. 629, for a rear admiral (upper half). See 185 U. S. 83; 194 id. 182; 11 Comp. Dec. 17 id. 919; 1 Comp. Gen. 690; 2 id. 169.

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Service Pay Study Planned

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Services under one general pay schedule was excellent, and this principle should be applied by the Joint Committee, will, of course, call for an investigation of conditions in all of the Services named. I anticipate that the Secretaries of War, Navy, the Treasury and Commerce will begin at an early date the studies which must be made and presented to the Joint Committee. A reference to the hearings which were held in 1921 and 1922 indicates the wide scope of these studies. While the general condition is apparent, a Committee of Congress must be furnished definite and conclusive facts on which to base their recommendations. I think anyone who is at all familiar with the Services concerned recognizes the inadequacy of the present pay and allowance schedules, but general knowledge is not sufficient. Specific and definite facts must be presented.

I doubt if there has been any time in the past when the Committee on Military Affairs was more interested in the welfare

of the Army than it is at present. This fact has been demonstrated in particular by the splendid progress which the Committee has made in carrying forward the program for providing adequate housing for the Army. By its action this week, the Committee has also shown an earnest desire to reach a solution of the promotion and retirement problem. I am convinced that the Committee is equally interested in seeing to it that the schedules governing the pay and allowances for the officers and enlisted men of the Army are adequate and sufficient to meet actual needs.

Survey Shows Need of Action

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younger experienced officers being advanced too rapidly"

"Years of service under (a) should not have to be continuous."

"(c-1) If at officers' options."

"(c-1) Voluntary requirement at officers' request."

"Furlow Bill, with Reed amendments (on Senate Calendar) is considered satisfactory."

"Kill the Black amendment and pass the Furlow-Reed Bill."

"Not in favor of changing promotion list unless credit is given for service between November 11, 1918, and July, 1920."

"Black Bill should be passed in justice to Emergency Officers, not one of whom has been promoted since July 1, 1920."

"McSwain-Black Bill to be effective."

"Yes, and change the promotion as intended to be by Congress."

Air Corps.
"And a separate Air Corps."

"The morale of the service and its efficiency depends on this."

"Need separate Air Corps."

"Opposed to provisions of Black-McSwain Bill revising promotion list."

"Bigger and better Class 'B' Boards."

"Favor Furlow Bill as passed by House."

"(c-4) Provided proper compensation is given them."

"Believe Black-McSwain Bill should pass, which would give above."

Retired.

"Leave promotion list alone."

"Will you please let me know why restrictions on retired officers for holding office or employment should be in force now?"

"Increased rank on retirement—yes."

"Revise Pay Bill similar to Navy Plan and 'hump' and promotion problems will be lessened."

"Advancement of retired officers to rank held in World War."

"I regard a suitable rate of pay as of more importance than any of the above. Rank should determine base pay."

"(c-5) Not unless it is clearly proven that it would be to the best interests of the service."

"All officers knew conditions when they accepted. Let them 'smoke.'"

Out of 1,260 cards, including the past three weeks' addition to the promotion survey table, a total of 47 from all branches indicated their endorsement of revision, the largest number indicating their opinion being in the Infantry. Seventy officers were against revision, the largest number of indications being from the Field Artillery. The Black Bill found 19 supporters, while 6 favored the Reed Bill. Twelve officers in the Air Corps endorsed the Furlow Air Corps measure.

Financial Digest

By a Market Expert.

THE Federal Reserve Board has made the following preliminary report on retail trade for November:

Department store sales were in about the same volume in November, 1928, as in the corresponding month a year ago, according to preliminary reports received by the Federal reserve system from 462 stores. Compared with the preceding month average daily sales in November showed a seasonal increase.

Increases in sales for November this year over November, 1927, were reported by 195 stores, and decreases by 267 stores. Stores in four Federal reserve districts—New York, Richmond, Chicago and Dallas—reported larger sales than during the corresponding month. Substantial decreases were shown for the same period in the Philadelphia, Minneapolis, Kansas City and San Francisco districts.

Sales of two mail-order houses were 20.3 per cent larger, and those of eight five-and-ten-cent stores 7.6 per cent larger than in November last year. Changes in the volume of business of both mail-order houses and chain stores reflect in part an increase from month to month in the number of retail outlets operated.

Merchant Marine Reserve

The addition of five ships this week to the list of those warranted by the Navy Department to fly the flag of the Merchant Marine Naval Reserve brings the total number to 25. These additional ships are: The Exporter of the American Export Line; the Ohioan and the Minnesotan of the American Hawaiian Steamship Co.; the Lorain of the Yankee Line; and the Archer of the Roosevelt Line. Thirty-two ships have been qualified as to personnel but have not yet passed an inspection.

A total of 1,254 commissions in the Merchant Marine Naval Reserve sent out by the Navy Department have been accepted to date. One hundred commissions will be sent out to successful applicants this week.

NEW BRITISH ATTACHE HERE.

Capt. J. T. Godfrey has arrived in Washington to replace Maj. W. H. S. Alston as Assistant Military Attaché at the British Embassy.

Personals

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Hot Springs National Park, Arkansas, have joined Major Connolly at Columbus, Ga., where they are residing at 1231 Third Avenue, while Major Connolly is a student of the advanced course at the Infantry School, Fort Benning.

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way the results have been beneficial. They speak for themselves. If we can continue under the same methods of administration as have obtained during the past two years, the future is indeed bright. No changes are recommended. The present methods are considered to be entirely sound and in accord with the principle of our Government.

Thanks to the appropriations made by Congress, satisfactory progress is being made along the lines of the 5-year building program. The foundations have been securely laid and continued adherence to this program will bring naval aviation to its

authorized strength in accordance with the program.

The bureau is proud to have contributed its share to the advancement of commercial aeronautics, particularly in the development of the air-cooled aircraft engines which are now so widely used commercially.

The need of additional airplane tenders is still most acute. The matter has been given consideration by the forces afloat and definite recommendations submitted. The bureau renews its recommendation that consideration be given to conversion to a tender of at least one and preferably two additional vessels most suitable for that purpose.

The need for aircraft repair ships becomes ever more apparent. This deficiency has been stressed by commanders of forces afloat and has, due to recent increases in aircraft squadrons, Battle Fleet, become an urgent necessity in that quarter. The combined repair facilities afforded by the carriers and the Medusa are inadequate to render the air forces, Battle Fleet, sufficiently mobile to accompany the Battle Fleet on extended cruises or missions requiring protracted absence from home bases, and even while operating near home bases, this lack of adequate repair and overhaul facilities tends to slow up air operations from battleships.

In the Asiatic we have no repair facilities and are prohibited by treaty from establishing any such facilities on shore. This necessitates a very uneconomical procedure of shipping aircraft from the Asiatic Station to Pearl Harbor for overhaul and furthermore the supply of 100 per cent spare planes in lieu of the usual 50 per cent in order to render this possible. This situation is uneconomical and undesirable at present and will become increasingly more acute as additional aircraft are sent out under the 1,000-plane program.

The recommendation is again made that larger appropriations for experimental work be approved by the department and urged upon the Bureau of the Budget and the Congress. A careful study of the situation and experience gained since the formation of the Bureau of Aeronautics indicates how necessary the experimental appropriation is, if proper progress is to be made. Attention is especially invited to the liberality in experimental appropriations given by foreign countries. We should adopt this progressive feature in our own appropriations.

In order that the experimental development may be more wisely undertaken and that advantage may be taken of progress abroad in the art and sciences of aeronautics, it is strongly recommended that the department authorize sending one or more especially qualified officers to Europe every year to study and report on the progress abroad. Here again the cost involved would be repaid immediately.

The bureau has recommended modification of the law relative to the requirement

of 30 per cent enlisted personnel as pilots. It is believed that this modification should be made at the earliest possible date. The law should be made flexible, with administrative control, following, in general, the law enacted by the Congress for the Army Air Corps.

The desirability of enlisting men for aviation duty is receiving the consideration of the department. It is believed that such action will go a long way toward improving the personnel situation, with particular regard to securing naval aviation pilots. This matter should be pushed through to a logical conclusion and efforts made to obtain the best type of men for aviation enlisted personnel.

This bureau can not too strongly recommend the addition of aircraft carriers to the fleet. The bureau believes that it is a matter of immediate importance that the necessary steps be taken to provide for the remainder of the carrier tonnage. The most urgent matter in hand during the next session of Congress is the passage of the new construction bill, which carries with it one carrier of a size and design approved by the department.

Judge Advocate General.

Since last year's report important changes have been effected in the organization of the office. The division formerly known as Division II was abolished and the personnel and duties which had been assigned thereto were transferred to other divisions of the office, thereby reducing the number of major divisions from four to three, simplifying office procedure and otherwise facilitating the expeditious performance of duty.

Bureau of Yards and Docks.

Expenditures for work performed under the supervision of this bureau during the fiscal year 1928 totaled \$17,576,152.30, against \$11,969,630.75 for 1927. One hundred and eighty-five public works contracts were awarded during the year and 184 closed. Since July 1 of this year 75 public works contracts have been awarded and 42 closed. One hundred and thirty contracts are now open. The largest project covered by contract was for replacement of temporary buildings at the marine barracks at Quantico, Va. Four contracts were made aggregating \$2,095,460.

On July 1, 1928, out of the total appropriated for the fiscal year 1928 there was unobligated \$2,499,514.37. Of this amount \$1,266,231.29 was appropriated May 29, 1928, near the end of the year. Including balances of the appropriations for prior fiscal years the unobligated balance was \$3,962,641.03. Of this amount \$361,562.38 has since been obligated while \$471,159.65 is tied up in land cases awaiting negotiations or the result of legal proceedings, and \$400,000 remains on hand under the appropriation made for moving the floating dry dock Dewey. During the year the bureau reported for return to the Treasury balances amounting to \$149,106.62.

Marine Corps.

In the appropriations for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1928, provision was made for an average of 1,020 commissioned officers, 155 chief warrant and warrant officers, and 18,000 enlisted men. At the beginning of that period the Marine Corps had an actual enlisted strength of 18,000, and an average strength of 18,039 was maintained for the year.

The legislation of most pressing and vital importance to the Marine Corps now before Congress is, first, the bill "To regulate the distribution and promotion of commissioned officers of the Marine Corps, and for other purposes," which was introduced in the House of Representatives and referred to the Committee on Naval Affairs on May 11, 1928. The second is the authorization for four additional barracks buildings at Quantico, Va. This authorization is contained in the Navy public works omnibus bill, on which hearings were held by the House Committee on Naval Affairs during the last session of Congress and a favorable report made to the House by the committee.

Hydrographic Office.

The work required to make the United States independent of foreign sources of chart supply was temporarily stopped pending receipt of additional engraving equipment for which the Congress of the United States authorized funds. Five new pantographs are due for delivery in the autumn of 1928, when reduction of foreign sources of chart supply will continue.

Bureau of Engineering.

The principal problem of the bureau is that of maintaining the machinery of the vessels of the fleet in a satisfactory condition with the funds available. Prior to the limitation of naval armaments the average age of the vessels of the fleet remained about the same, because we then had a building program and each year new vessels were added to the fleet and a corresponding number of old vessels withdrawn. Now vessels of types not being replaced are progressively becoming older and more expensive to maintain. The difficulties that the bureau has experienced in this respect are indicated by a comparison from year to year of the outstanding work load at the navy yards.

During the fiscal year 1928 the needs of the fleet were in the main satisfactorily met. The navy yards have slightly reduced the outstanding work load of combined repairs and alterations, although the work load of repairs alone has increased.

Bureau of Ordnance.

During the year the naval powder factory has operated at a daily output of about 10,000 pounds of smokeless powder which gave a total output of 3,000,000 pounds. Only a small quantity was purchased from outside manufacturers at a price slightly less than the total cost of manufacture at the powder factory. It is considered necessary to prepare to keep the existing commercial manufacturers of naval powder sufficiently interested to insure their being prepared to expand to war-time production

High Lights in Annual Reports

GIVEN below are some of the more pertinent extracts from the annual reports of the Major General Commandant of the Marine Corps, Chief of the Bureau of Engineering, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance, Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair, Superintendent of the Naval Observatory, and the Hydrographic Office:

Maj. Gen. John A. Lejeune, Major General Commandant of the Marine Corps: "The outstanding feature of the year in the activities of the Marine Corps has been the highly commendatory accomplishments of all ranks of Marines in Nicaragua."

Capt. C. S. Freeman, Superintendent of the Naval Observatory: "The year has proved noteworthy *** because of a survey of the activities of the observatory by the Bureau of Navigation and a restatement of the functions of the observatory on the part of the Navy Department. ***"

Rear Adm. John Halligan, Chief of the Bureau of Engineering: "During the fiscal year the needs of the fleet were in the main satisfactorily met."

Rear Adm. William D. Leahy, Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance: "It is considered necessary to be prepared to keep the existing commercial manufacturers of naval powder sufficiently interested to insure their being prepared to expand to war-time production in an emergency."

Rear Adm. J. D. Beurte, Chief of the Bureau of Construction and Repair: "The limited funds that could be allotted for work on vessels out of commission made it impossible to undertake repairs other than those required to prevent further deterioration."

Capt. C. S. Kempff, in Charge of the Hydrographic Office: "Attention is invited to the excellent training received by officers on duty in the Hydrographic Office as well as to the good work they can accomplish while on duty there."

in an emergency. All small-arms ammunition obtained during the year was purchased from the Army.

In order to utilize old stocks the practice of reworking, reblanding, and reassigning old powders has been continued and has resulted in a considerable saving.

A shortage in the amount of powder required by departmental instructions for all guns caused by the fire at Lake Denmark in July, 1926, has not been reduced. Funds available during the current year for the purchase and manufacture of powder were insufficient to meet the target practice and routine test firing requirements.

Ammunition assemblies made during the war are reaching an age that will necessitate their being broken down for examination and overhaul of the components. This work has been undertaken on a small scale and will increase during the succeeding years.

The procurement of ammunition details has been satisfactory during the year, except in the case of time fuzes. The Army, however, expects to manufacture powder train fuzes and will within a year or two be able to handle the Navy's peace-time and war-time requirements.

The airplane flare has been redesigned and improved, but it is not yet satisfactory, and an improved flare is under design.

Because of an accumulation of ammunition and explosives at the end of the World War, ammunition storage in all naval magazines is congested.

Congress in the second deficiency act, fiscal year 1928, provided funds for the improvement of ammunition storage facilities to meet recommendations made by a joint Army and Navy board in House Document No. 199, Seventieth Congress; and authorized the establishment and development of a naval ammunition depot in the vicinity of Hawthorne, Nev. Much improvement in the existing storage conditions of naval ammunition depots can not be accomplished until the naval depot at Hawthorne is ready to receive the high explosive that now occupies space at the magazines.

Work on the depot at Hawthorne and on the other magazines for which funds are available should be prosecuted vigorously.

The yearly target practices required 1,200 tons (net weight) of powder and 4,400 tons of projectiles for the whole Navy. The larger part of this is required by the Battle Fleet in the Pacific Ocean. In addition to this, there is required for target practices an additional tonnage made up of smokeless powder packing boxes, cartridge cases, tanks, primers, and small arms ammunition; and for other than target practice there are required shipments for new construction, and shipments for reconditioning, testing and redistributing ordnance material. It is hoped that additional facilities for shipment of ammunition will be made available.

Bureau of Construction and Repair.

The number of vessels in the active fleet for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1928, was two more than the number for the preceding year, six vessels having been placed in commission and four out of commission. The vessels placed in commission were the new vessels, whose completion has been noted above, namely, the aircraft carriers Lexington and Saratoga, fleet submarine V-4, and three of the river gunboats for service in Chinese waters. The vessels placed out of commission were the armored cruiser Seattle, which was relieved by the Texas as flagship of the United States Fleet; submarine S-4, which was sunk as the result of collision with Coast Guard Cutter Paulding and later refitted as an experimental bulk; and the gunboats Villalobos and Elicano, formerly attached to the Yangtze patrol and replaced by the new river gunboats.

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having less commissioned service than any officer whose name is below him on this list. All officers commissioned in the Air Corps after the formation of the original Air Corps promotion list shall be placed thereon in accord with length of commissioned service. Any officer whose position on the Air Corps promotion list is changed by sentence of a general court-martial or by law shall be deemed to have the same commissioned service as the officer next below whom he may be placed by such change.

Sec. 2. Except as herein provided, Air Corps flying officers shall be promoted to the grade of first Lieutenant when credited with three years' commissioned service; to the grade of captain when credited with seven years' commissioned service; to the grade of major when credited with twelve years' commissioned service; to the grade of lieutenant colonel when credited with twenty years' commissioned service; to the grade of colonel when credited with twenty-six years' commissioned service. All flying officers of the Air Corps below the grade of colonel shall be promoted in the order of their standing on the Air Corps promotion list: *Provided*, That the number of Air Corps officers in the grade of colonel shall not be less than 4 per centum nor more than 6 per centum and the number in the grade of lieutenant colonel shall not be less than 5 per centum nor more than 8 per centum of the total number of officers on the Air Corps promotion list, and in so far as necessary to maintain said minimum percentages, Air Corps flying officers of less than the required years of commissioned service shall be promoted to the grades of colonel, Lieutenant colonel, and major, and only in so far as their promotion will not cause said maximum percentages to be exceeded shall officers who have completed the prescribed years of commissioned service be promoted to the grades of colonel, Lieutenant colonel, and major. Nonflying officers of the Air Corps shall be promoted as provided for other branches of the Army.

Sec. 3. When an officer of the Air Corps has served thirty years either as an officer or soldier, he shall, if he make application therefor to the President, be retired from active service and placed on the retired list: *Provided*, That, except in time of war, in computing the length of service for retirement credit shall be given for one and one-half the time heretofore or hereafter actually detailed to duty involving flying and credit shall also be given for all other time now counted toward retirement in the Army: *Provided further*, That the number of such voluntary retirements annually shall not exceed 6 per centum of the authorized strength of the Air Corps. When a flying officer of the Air Corps reaches the age of fifty-four years he shall, if he make application therefor to the President, be retired from active service and placed on the retired list. Officers of the Air Corps who become physically disqualified for the performance of their duties as flying officers shall be eligible for retirement for physical disability.

Sec. 4. An officer of the Air Corps may, upon his own request, be transferred to another branch of the service, and when so transferred shall take rank and grade therein in accordance with his length of commissioned service as computed under existing laws governing the branch to which transferred.

Sec. 5. Thereafter the Chief of Staff of the Army, while holding office as such, shall have the rank and title of general, and shall receive the pay and allowances of a major general, and in addition thereto, the personal money allowance prescribed by law for the officer of the Navy serving as Chief of Naval Operations. The Chief of Staff of the Army and the Chief of Naval Operations shall take rank between themselves according to dates of appointment as such.

Sec. 6. That the President is hereby authorized to place on the retired list of the Army as a major general, with the retired pay of that grade, the officer who was the first Chief of Finance of the Army, and who was placed on the retired list as a brigadier general while holding that office.

Sec. 7. That on and after the date of the passage of this act, Hunter Liggett and Robert L. Bullard, major generals, United States Army, retired, shall have the rank of Lieutenant general on the retired list of the United States Army, and shall receive pay and allowances determined as provided by law for other officers on the retired list.

Sec. 8. All laws or parts of laws in so far as they may be inconsistent herewith or in conflict with the provisions of this act are repealed.

Amend the title to read as follows:

To provide for the advancement on the retired list of certain officers of the Army, to increase the efficiency of the Air Corps and of the Army, and for other purposes.

Your committee unanimously reported to the House on April 16, 1928, the bill H. R. 12814, to increase the efficiency of the Air Corps, and for other purposes. The House passed this bill May 7, 1928, without a dissenting vote. On May 7, 1928, your committee also reported unanimously the bill H. R. 9981, designed to give the Chief of Staff of the Army equal rank with the Chief of Naval Operations of the Navy. This bill also passed the House without a dissenting vote on May 16, 1928. On January 10, 1928, your committee unanimously reported H. R. 7326 to make the first Chief of Finance of the Army a major general on the retired list, and the House passed the measure without a dissenting vote on April 20, 1928.

Because of the situation existing in the Senate regarding these various measures

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appropriations in the 1930 Army Appropriation Bill to provide for a strength of 200,000.

The National Guard again reiterated its belief in the value of the National Rifle Matches and instructed its Executive Council to support legislation for their continuance and that the Association arrange to provide a suitable National Match Trophy to be competed for annually.

The Association also recommended a 10 per cent increase in the present ration of 50 cents per day; recommended that proper steps be taken to have suitable means of transport provided for Machine Gun and Howitzer Companies; recommended that rules of admission to the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill be amended to permit the attendance of officers in the National Guard with the rank of Major and that they be given preference; recommended that the existing War Department policy with reference to Regular Army officers accepting commissions in the National Guard be abrogated so as to permit this practice; recommended that every effort possible be made to secure reversal of the ruling of the Finance Department which will permit Guardsmen to receive hospitalization or burial benefits where in illness, accident or death occurred while the Guardsman was actually in camp under orders.

The foregoing instructions from the convention constitute a mandate to the Executive Council and securing of these objectives must necessarily determine the policy of the Council during the coming year. Every effort will be made especially to secure an increase of approximately 10,000 enlisted personnel in the National Guard and a definite plan will shortly be submitted to the several States, Territories and District of Columbia.

In addition to the foregoing the Association will continue the study of the various plans which have been submitted dealing with the status of National Guard officers and the proposition that the National Guard will at all times be a component of the Army of the United States. To this end the President of the Association will shortly announce the appointment of Special Committee consisting of one National Guard officer from each Corps Area to study and report to the Executive Council its conclusions. This Committee will be headed by Maj. Gen. Benson Hough, of Ohio, commanding the 37th Division.

and because of the imperative need for legislation regarding Air Corps promotion at this time, your committee deems it necessary to make these amendments to this measure for the purpose of securing final action. Each of these amendments is a verbatim copy of the measure passed unanimously by the House.

Since the bill for Air Corps promotion passed the House, the necessity for its adoption during this session has been forcibly brought to the attention of the War Department and of your committee.

The Assistant Secretary of War for Air clearly recognizes the need of this legislation as shown by his annual report for the fiscal year 1928. In that report he states:

"The most pressing problem in the Air Corps is the question of the promotion of officers. No branch of the Army is as adversely affected as the Air Corps by the so-called World War bump. In addition to that, junior officers are performing duties all out of proportion to their rank and frequently they are of a very hazardous character. The result is that the officer morale is seriously impaired, and a solution by legislation should be effected during the coming short session of Congress. The Furlow bill, as it passed the House, is unquestionably the most satisfactory promotion measure ever introduced, from the Air Corps standpoint. It is earnestly to be desired that that measure, or one containing its provisions in substance, be enacted into law."

The National Aeronautical Association, of which Senator Bingham is president, also adopted the following resolutions at its annual convention held the middle of September in Los Angeles, Calif.

Whereas a bill intended to remedy to a large degree the existing injustices in the officer personnel situation of the Air Corps of the Army was introduced by Congressman Furlow and passed the House of Representatives. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the National Aeronautical Association in seventh annual convention assembled in the city of Los Angeles, Calif., September 13, 14, and 15, 1928, does urge upon the American people and the Senate of the United States the fundamental justice of the Furlow bill in its original form and recommends its enactment into law at the earliest possible date.

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